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SHIPPING SECTION.

ADRIAT AT SEA.

TRIALS OF NORWEGIAN CREW.

"HUBRO" ARRIVES IN PORT.

The Norwegian steamer "Hubro," which was previously reported to be adrift about fifty miles off Amoy, was towed into Hong Kong harbour yesterday afternoon by the s.s. "Heron."

Those on board have experienced considerable danger and it had been necessary to keep continual watch since last Sunday when engine trouble developed and the ship was almost entirely at the mercy of the waves. Very heavy seas were running at the time and, owing to the danger of the disabled ship, being carried ashore, the crew were obliged to fix up "rigging" with tarpaulins.

Previously, it had been found necessary to use wood fittings of the ship as fuel for the engines which, owing to the trouble experienced, were consuming the coal supplies at an alarming rate.

The "Hubro" at the time was on a voyage (on ballast) between Swatow and Keelung. Owing to the engine trouble an endeavour was made to reach Amoy but the tremendous force of the wind and the heavy seas prevented the Captain achieving his purpose. The ship was then found to be drifting.

On Monday, the s.s. "Solvik" came to the distressed vessel's assistance but on attempts being made at towing the ropes parted on each occasion. It was then that a wireless message was sent to Hong Kong by the "Solvik" and the "Henry Keswick" sent to the rescue.

Before the tug arrived, however, the s.s. "Heron" had successfully accomplished what the "Solvik" was unable to do and, making fast to the disabled vessel, successfully towed her into port yesterday afternoon.

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LOCAL SHIPPING.

TODAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

"Nyanza" (4,322) British, from Singapore, Mackinnon Mackenzie—16 passengers, 90 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 3,923 tons general (through).
"Linan" (1,356) British, from Canton, B. & S.—22 passengers, 1 ton general cargo for Hong Kong, 230 tons general (through).
"Keemun" (5,853) British, from Singapore, B. & S.—745 passengers, 1,137 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 3,729 tons general (through).
"Botnia" (841) Norwegian, from Samarinda, M. B. K.—1,888 tons coal for Hong Kong.
"Sanjin Maru" (1,505) Japanese, from Keelung, M.B.K.—1,756 tons coal for Hong Kong, 1,400 tons coal (through).
"Penang Maru" (3,230) Japanese, from Singapore, N.Y.K.—1,128 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 5,216 tons general (through).
"Dakar Maru" (4,384) Japanese, from Singapore, N.Y.K.—568 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 7,022 tons general (through).
"Yuan Lee" (1,661) Chinese, from Saigon, Amoy, Yuen Seng Fat—1,800 tons rice for Hong Kong.
"Heron" (3,444) Norwegian, from Yokohama, A.P.C.—7,403 tons fuel oil (through).

Departures.
For Canton—Kanchow, Sanjin Maru, Honsang, Kathie.
For Saigon—Solviken.
For Hongay—Heinan Maru.
For Swatow—Dell Maru, Linan.
For Manila—Tango Maru.
For Sourabaya—Taikoo Wan Yi.
For Shanghai—Nyanza, Nurnberg, Dukar Maru.
For Singapore—Svale.
For Batavia—Tjikarang.
For Milke—Achilles.
Clearances.
For Saigon—Prominent.
For Shanghai—Keemun.

Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	In
British	3	6	17
Japanese	3	5	5
Norwegian	2	2	7
Chinese	1	0	10
Dutch	0	1	5
German	0	2	0
American	0	0	1
Panama	0	0	1
Portuguese	0	0	4
French	0	0	1
	9	16	51

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benvenue" from Leith, Middlebro, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here to-day.

The O.S.K. s.s. "Seattle Maru" is due here to-day from Calcutta and will sail to-morrow for Japan ports.

The O.S.K. s.s. "Bingo Maru" is expected here to-morrow from Japan and will sail on September 25 for Calcutta via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

The O.S.K. s.s. "Sourabaya Maru" is expected here on September 26 from Java and will sail for Japan ports via Takao and Keelung on September 27.

The P. and O. s.s. "Lahore" left Singapore for this port on September 21 at 11 a.m. with the outward mails, and is due here on September 27 at about 5 a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" (Capt. S. Robinson, C.B.E., R.N.R.), from Manila, is due here at 8 a.m. on October 3, and will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf. She will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama on October 5 at noon.

The M.V. s.s. "Japan" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Antwerp on September 2, and is due here on or about October 12.

The M.V. "Romolo" (Dodwell & Co., Ltd.) sailed from Aden on September 12, and is due in Hong Kong on October 13.

The s.s. "Kendal Castle" (Dodwell & Co., Ltd.) sailed from New York on September 20, and is due in Hong Kong on October 14.

The following vessels of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes are expected to arrive in Hong Kong:—

S.S. "D'Artagnan" September 27.
S.S. "Capitaine Faure" September 20.
S.S. "General Metzinger" October 11.
S.S. "Si-Kiang" October 21.
S.S. "Sphinx" October 25.
S.S. "Porthos" November 2.

Two Chinese, Ling Ah-chung, seaman, and Wen Liah, freeman, members of the crew of the "Havel Branch," were sentenced at Hull on August 11 to two months' imprisonment and recommended for deportation for possession of raw and prepared opium without authority. The opium was in a jar weighted with iron shackles under the bilge water in the forepeak and in coal bunkers.

COLLISION AT SEA.

JUDGE CRITICISES CAPTAIN OF SEANG BEE.

Mr. Justice Deane delivered judgment in the Supreme Court, Singapore on September 15 in the case in which Ahna Pana Suna Anjalal alias Tarmallal, sued the owners of the Seang Bee for damages claimed owing to the sinking of a tongkang, Nonia, which was run down by some steamer and totally lost between midnight on October 25 and 26 last in the vicinity of Tanjong Tohor.

In the judgment his Lordship asked whether there could be any doubt in any reasonable mind that the ship which ran down and sank the Nonia was the Seang Bee? Probabilities in favour of that conclusion were, in his judgment, overwhelming and he did not think the owners of the Seang Bee could complain and say that the Court should not rely on the probabilities, in view of the fact that it was entirely due to the failure of the officers of the Seang Bee to do the duty laid upon them by law, that it was only on probabilities that the Court could rely.

Officers' Omissions.
On this point his Lordship said: "Had the captain or the second officer of the Seang Bee done his duty under section 422 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1894, had he stopped when the collision was reported to him in order to render to the other vessel such assistance as might be practicable and as might be necessary to save them by the danger caused by the collision; had he stayed by the other vessel until he had ascertained that she had no need of further assistance; had he further given to the master or person in charge of the other vessel the name of his own vessel and of the port to which she belonged, he would have been able to give the court in his turn the fullest information as to the name of the tongkang with which he collided on that night."

That he did not do any of these things but went recklessly on his way careless of the lives endangered cannot now be used to protect him.

He is in a position analogous to that of a witness who is in a position to produce evidence and does not do so with the result that the presumption is that if he did produce it, it would be unfavourable to him. The probabilities in my opinion are overwhelming and I have no hesitation in finding as a fact on the evidence that it was the Seang Bee that collided with and sank the Nonia that night.

No Good Excuse.
Referring to the captain of the Seang Bee excusing his failure to stand by and render assistance if necessary, his Lordship said that if words had any meaning the captain sought to impress the court with the reliability of the second officer and in so doing he was trying to deceive the court.

Unfortunately for him when this reliable officer was called upon to give evidence he did not appear and when later he did appear he was so intoxicated as to be unfit to give evidence and the captain had later to admit under cross-examination that owing to his intemperate habits he had had to order the steward not to allow him any liquor while on board because on one or two occasions while in port he had come on board in rather a shaky condition.

Under the circumstances, said his Lordship, he did not think that the captain had given a good reason for not stopping on the night in question and he therefore held that the Seang Bee was to blame and the owner of the Nonia was entitled to damages for the loss sustained through the sinking of the vessel and its cargo.

His Lordship referred the matter to the Registrar to assess the damages and he gave judgment for the plaintiff for the amount found due on such assessment with costs.

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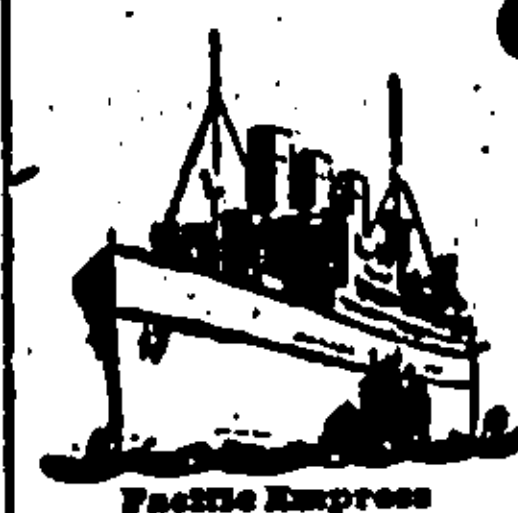
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HAWAII MARU	Thursday, 29th September
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.	
SHUNKO MARU	Tuesday, 4th October.
SUMATRA MARU	Wednesday, 19th October.
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.	
CHICAGO MARU	Wednesday, 28th September.
PANAMA MARU	Friday, 28th October.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.	
BINGO MARU	Sunday, 25th September.
SEATTLE MARU	Tuesday, 26th October.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Japan Ports.	
ALABAMA MARU (From Shanghai).	Saturday, 24th September.
HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOL	
MENADO MARU	Tuesday, 27th Sept., 10 a.m.
TAIKWA MARU	Tuesday, 11th Oct., 10 a.m.
JAPAN PORTS	
KEELUNG Via SWATOW & AMOY.	
HOZAN MARU	Sunday, 25th Sept., 2 p.m.
TAIKWA MARU	Wednesday, 28th Sept., Noon.
KALJO MARU	Sunday, 2nd Oct., 2 p.m.
TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY.	
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MALWA	10,986	15th Oct.	Marseilles & London
NAGPORA	5,283	20th Oct.	Straits, Colombo & London
KASHMIR	8,085	28th Oct.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MACEONIA	11,120	12th Nov.	Marseilles & London
MONGOLIA	10,604	20th Nov.	Marseilles & London
MANTUA	10,946	10th Dec.	Marseilles & London
KASHGAR	9,005	24th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MOREA	10,953	7th Jan.	Marseilles & London
DEVANHA	8,155	21st Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MALWA	10,986	4th Feb.	Marseilles & London
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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

ST. ALBANS	4,500	30th Sept.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Australia.
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CHINESE REFUSES DUTY ON "EUMAEUS"

In the Marine Court, Singapore, on September 16, before the Master Attendant, Capt. Geoffrey Freyberg, O.B.E., R.N., a Chinese fireman of the Blue Funnel steamer "Eumaeus" was found guilty of refusing to obey the lawful orders of the master. He was sentenced to 28 days rigorous imprisonment and deportation at his own expense at the expiry of that time.

Evidence was given by the chief engineer to the effect that the accused, when ordered by the No. 1 fireman to take duty in New York on August 7, refused to do so. Witness was sent for and accused still refused and abused witness. He was taken before the Captain and on his return to the engine room he attempted to prevent the other firemen from working, saying that if they did "he would see the union when they got to Hong Kong."

In sentencing accused, the Master Attendant said they did not like Russian methods on board British ships.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships are in harbour:—
East Wall Basin, Nessus and L15 and L19; West Wall Dock, Durban; In Dock, Keppel and Tarantula; Talook Dock, Petrel and Tern; Kowloon Dock, Magnolia; Buoy 6, Frodoher; Buoy 7, Danae; Buoy 8, Sled; Buoy 10, Seraph; Buoy 11, Wishart; Buoy 12, Seraph; Buoy 13, Wild Swan; Buoy 13, Ruthenia and War Krishna; Buoy 25, Kharki; Oil Fuel Jetty, Fortoli; Foreign Men-of-War, Argus and Craonne (French) and U.S.S. Helena.

STEERING COSTS.

Steering a ship economically is not always the same thing as steering her straight. It is possible for a helmsman to keep a vessel steadily on her course by constantly applying helm, first to one side and then to the other. This method, however, results in a loss of speed through the resistance set up by the displacement of the rudder from the fore and aft line, and a loss of power owing to the steering engine being constantly in motion. If, on the other hand, the minimum of helm is applied, and the ship is allowed to yaw slightly, the gain in speed and saving of power more than counterbalance the slight loss occasioned by the deviations from the course.

The gyro compass, with its auxiliary, the course recorder, is a great aid to efficient steering, but for the best results to be obtained a rudder angle recorder should also be installed in a position near the course recorder in order that the movements of the ship's head and of the rudder may be compared from time to time. A glance at the charts of the course recorder and the rudder angle recorder will immediately show if good steering has been achieved at the expense of excessive rudder movement, and will indicate the necessity of anticipation rather than correction. It is interesting to note that the "ile de France," the new French luxury liner, has been supplied with a gyro compass, a course recorder, and a rudder angle recorder, by Messrs. S. G. Brown, Ltd., of North Acton, W.3.

CRIMINAL LIABILITY.

Steps toward ascertaining criminal liability in connection with the sinking of the launch "Leydon" of the Atlantic, Gulf and Pacific Company, in which 37 persons lost their lives, were taken by the Manila city fiscal. The city fiscal requested the insular collector of customs to furnish him with a copy of the proceedings of the board of marine accidents, with a view to determining whether criminal complaints can be filed against those found responsible for the disaster.

The report of the board has not yet been submitted to the collector of customs, but it was learned in customs circles that the master of the launch can at least be held responsible for navigating in the bay in spite of the fact that typhoon warning number 2 was up on the day of the accident. When signal number 2 is up, it was explained, all small craft, including launches, are supposed to be under cover.

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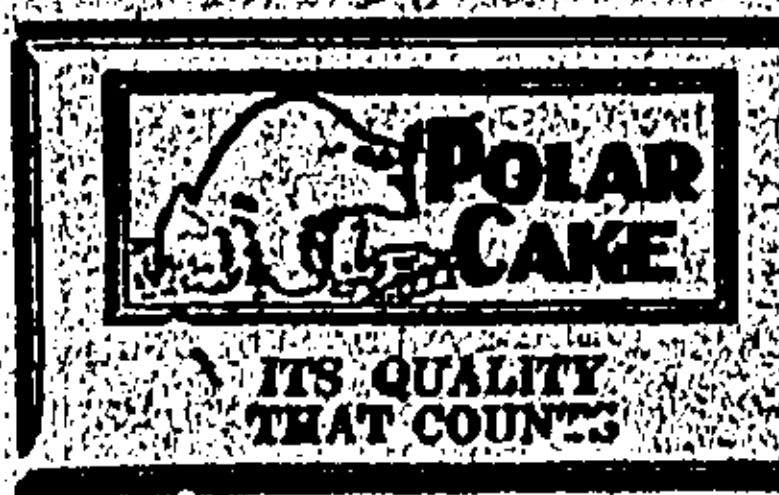
In the course of the speeches during the launching ceremony it was remarked that the large volume of work done by this company for foreign firms showed the confidence that overseas shipowners still have in the skill and workmanship of Clyde-side.

SCHOONER TAKES FIRE.

Crew Safely Ashore.

Adelaide, Aug. 19.
According to meagre reports received in Adelaide, to-day the three-masted auxiliary schooner Roongannah had been destroyed by fire. She was on her way from Port Adelaide to Whyalla at the time she met with the disaster. The Roongannah was taking 1,400 tons of coke stored below deck and a quantity of benzine to Whyalla. The Navigation Department has received a communication from an interstate vessel by wireless stating that the schooner was on a western shoal about ten miles from Whyalla in Spencer's Gulf and that the vessel was burnt out. It is believed from the details available that the mishap was caused by an auxiliary engine back-firing and petrol catching alight. The crew all got away safely, though one was badly burned.

A new wharf in Walvis Bay, South-West Africa, accommodating three ocean-going liners, was formally opened on August 3 by the Earl of Athlone, the Governor-General of South Africa. Mr. A. J. Werth, the Administrator of British South Africa, said they had a natural port, and when it was linked up with Windhoek and Mafeking the whole Union would benefit.



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"BIG" FIGHTING.

"Big" Fighting—by which is meant boxing matches for world championships—is a wonderful business, aptly described by the adjective here given to it. Everything connected with such a bout is big, including the price of a seat, seeing that some sold for yesterday's scrap between Mr. Tunney and Mr. Dempsey, although located nearly a full mile from the ring, fetched forty gold dollars. And, of course, everything has to be big, considering that Mr. Tunney, as announced in our special story of the Chicago fight published today, received this morning a certified cheque for one million gold dollars and Mr. Dempsey took \$450,000. The vastness of the whole affair is amply brought home when one considers its effect in Hong Kong. People have been walking along the streets this morning in a really excited state of mind; newspaper office telephones have been ringing incessantly and clerks have had to be placed on special duty to answer Big Fight inquiries; bets have been freely thrown around, and no one wants to know what is happening in Canton, Shanghai, on the Yangtze or anywhere else except Chicago.

Truly an affair that can agitate Hong Kong must be a momentous one. And so it is. Its bigness almost staggers the imagination. Arrangements were made for an attendance of 150,000 people around the ring at Soldiers Field, Chicago. These would pay, collectively, anything between two and a half million gold dollars and

three million for the right of entry, out of which the promoter, Mr. Tex Rickard, will take around one million. The city, State and Federal coffers will annex about half a million. Chicago restaurant and hotel proprietors expected to take a level million from the fans, and it was computed just before the fight that another million would change hands in bets. Here we have everything in millions; and it comes quite easy after a while to write and talk in such terms.

And the result? "Tunney won on points," as the cables tersely put it. The curtain drops. These two men, Messrs. Tunney and Dempsey, contracting to fight for ten rounds, keep their part of the bargain. Mr. Dempsey, at the end of it all, is considered not to have scored so many points as Mr. Tunney, so the latter gentleman retains his title of world's heavyweight champion and pockets his million gold dollars—which he would have done, of course, had he lost the contest.

As for the public which supplied the wherewithal for these gladiators and for Mr. Rickard and his small army of assistants, how do they think about it now? It may have been a glorious scrap which will go down in fight history with some of the roped-squared battles of olden times. On the other hand it may have been a very tame affair. We shall not know until full descriptions come to hand. But—and this is the point we are trying to get at—how do those 150,000 or so people view the contest in the light of the present? Must there not be a void in their mental make-up, coupled with a feeling of physical lassitude, now that the excitement has subsided? No doubt there is, but they will soon get over it. Their balloon has burst, but before long wily Mr. Rickard or some other will commence blowing up another for them. They will watch it grow and grow, until it assumes enormous proportions and the mere thought of it drive them into a frenzy. Then, when this something which we will call a balloon has reached bursting point, they will all pay their money—for what? To see it burst again. And Mr. Tunney will net another million gold dollars. And so will Mr. Rickard or whoever is in charge of the pretty balloon. And the other fellow—perhaps Dempsey again—will take a nice fat sum, too. Oh, wonderful is this "Big" Fight business!

BRIBERY CHARGE.

CHINESE CONSTABLE IN COURT.

A REMAND.

Kong Hung, a Chinese constable of the Hawkers' Department was this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy that he together with others received a bribe of \$12.60 from certain hawkers on September 12; and that on September 19 he had committed misconduct as a constable.

In reply to the Magistrate Detective Sub-Inspector Andrews said that the accused was connected with the other six men (one of whom is in hospital) who were arrested during a raid conducted by the Hon. Captain Superintendent of Police on the third floor of No. 3 Station Street. The accused succeeded in escaping during the raid, but was afterwards placed under arrest.

May Pull Through. The Magistrate inquired how the injured man, the one who jumped out of a window during the raid, was progressing.

Inspector Andrews said that the man's condition was the same, and he is expected to "pull through." He understood that there were no bones broken.

An application was then made for the accused to be formally remanded until 10 a.m., on Monday next so that he could be brought up together with the other five men. These men were formally charged before his Worship on Wednesday morning and remanded until Monday morning next.

The accused was remanded in custody in accordance with the police application.

AT THE FOUNTAIN.

STORY OF A SQUABBLE AMONG COOLIES.

A Shaikwan Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with striking a woman on the head with a bamboo pole, causing a wound which had to receive treatment at the hospital. According to Sub-Inspector Murphy, the trouble arose at the water fountain.

The woman was there first when the accused came and pushed her buckets aside. She remonstrated with him and he hit her on the head with his carrying pole.

Accused's story was that the woman started the trouble by pushing him away with her pole. Remarking that even if the woman did push him that was not sufficient reason for the accused to assault her the way he did. Mr. Lindsell fined the accused \$5 and ordered him to pay the woman \$1 as compensation. He would have to go to jail for ten days if the money was not forthcoming.

FOOD PRICES.

NO SPECIAL DISTINCTION FOR HONG KONG.

Says the "Straits Times"—At a recent meeting of the Hong Kong Sanitary Board Mr. J. F. Braga discussing the question of the prices of fresh foodstuffs in the local markets claimed that Hong Kong was earning the unenviable reputation of being the most expensive Colony in which to live. Now what Mr. Braga does not know about Hong Kong is scarcely worth considering for he has lived there for many years and has always shown a keen interest in public affairs since the days when he wielded an editorial pen in the local press. But Mr. Braga must not claim special distinction for Hong Kong in the way of food prices until he has paid a visit to Singapore and experienced the futility of bargaining in the fish, fruit and vegetable markets. Not only in these Municipal buildings are prices high, but at other places, too, where food is on sale and where the custom prevails of reducing charges on a commodity one day and raising them on another the next.

UP IN THE CLOUDS.

SIR HUGH CLIFFORD'S TRIP IN THE "HERMES."

The "Straits Times" of September 16 says:—His Excellency the Governor, Sir Hugh Clifford, was a passenger in one of the naval seaplanes from the aircraft carrier, H.M.S. "Hermes," yesterday afternoon, when his second attempt at flying in Singapore proved more successful than the first venture.

On the former occasion he intended to take a trip in a French seaplane, but the sea was so rough that the plane almost capsized. This time everything went forward quite smoothly. The seaplane was lowered into the water from the deck of the "Hermes" and a flight which lasted about half an hour was thoroughly enjoyed by Sir Hugh Clifford.

NAVY IN CHINA.

MORE USEFUL HERE THAN IN MEDITERRANEAN.

HINT TO THE ADMIRALTY.

According to the "Navy and Military Record," the Admiralty are believed to be desirous of returning the Mediterranean ships to China to their stations at the first opportunity, while the Foreign Office is understood to be against any withdrawal at present. Anxious as the Admiralty may be to have its ships nearer home, it is generally recognised that in present circumstances the opportunity for withdrawal does not exist. The threat to Shanghai, with crowds of troops in the vicinity, the environs of the Settlement invaded by refugees, and with the renewal of Communist activities, although not so grave as it was some months ago, thanks to the defensive arrangements of the Powers, is still grave enough to discount any thought of reducing the strength of the fleet in any case, as our contemporary says, the additional cruisers and destroyers, serving with Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt, are distinctly more useful where they are for the time being than they would be in the Middle Sea. It is quite likely that they may be wanted in China; there is not the remotest possibility that they will be wanted, in the same sense, in the Mediterranean. The Yangtze and West River patrols are still kept pretty active, especially the former, as witness the shelling of H.M.S. "Scourge." The Chinese hobby of firing upon warships does not appear to have been abandoned. The Blue Jay pirates are also just as active as ever, and (says the "China Express and Telegraph" of September 1) it would not be a bad idea if the Navy gave them a little special attention before the bulk of the fleet leaves China waters.

AMATEUR SLEUTH.

THREE CHINESE IN TROUBLE.

Three Chinese were charged before Major C. Willson this morning with attempting to steal a rattan basket containing clothing from a Chinese female passenger of the s.s. "Tai Lee" yesterday. The men were arrested through a smart piece of amateur detective work on the part of three fruit hawkers. The hawkers had noticed the accused boarding steamers on various occasions and then walk off again. They had no apparent business on the ships, so yesterday the hawkers decided to keep an eye on the accused when they went on board the "Tai Lee." First accused was observed to approach a pile of luggage and pick up the rattan basket which he passed to second accused. The latter was caught as he was going off the ship with the basket in his possession. Simultaneously, third accused was seen placing a basket resembling the stolen one on the pile of luggage. He and first accused were also placed under arrest by police-men who had been fetched by one of the hawkers. The first two accused, who had previous convictions proved against them, were sentenced to six weeks' each, while the other was sent to jail for four weeks.

IN THE NEWS.

ITEMS FROM TO-DAY'S POLICE REPORTS.

A black and white fox terrier dog owned by Pipe Major Mackay, K.O.S.B. Murray Barracks, yesterday bit Mr. Mackay's 6-year-old daughter who had to receive treatment at the Military Hospital. The dog has been removed to Kennedy Town for observation.

A 7-year-old Chinese boy living on a sampan in Causeway Bay was yesterday knocked down by motor car No. 67 on the Causeway Bay Road. He suffered from concussion and fracture of the right leg, and had to be removed to the Government Civil Hospital. The lad ran across the road in front of the car and was knocked down before the driver had time to pull up.

Banished from the Colony for a period of ten years in 1921, a Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with returning from banishment. Asked by the Magistrate why he had come back after an absence of six years, the accused said that he had lost track of time. Sub-Inspector Vincent said the accused was sentenced to 10 strokes and 48 hours' detention for larceny in 1921, and went to jail for four weeks in 1921 for stealing. Accused was only 12 years of age at the time of his first conviction. Sentence of six months' hard labour was passed by the Magistrate.

A life's nest containing five eggs has been found inside the trunk of an oak tree while the tree was being sawn up in an island of Wight timber yard. The nest had evidently been built in a cavity in the tree and abandoned, the cavity being covered in by growth. The eggs are intact, the colour and markings being perfect. It is thought that the growth of the tree they are in is at least thirty years old.

PAIN IN THE STOMACH. It is most annoying to wake up in the morning, to be troubled with pain in the stomach, and then to find that it is not the usual morning sickness, but a real pain in the stomach. It is a most annoying ailment, and one that is not to be taken lightly. It is a most annoying ailment, and one that is not to be taken lightly. It is a most annoying ailment, and one that is not to be taken lightly.

P'RAPS P'RAPS NOT!

We needn't "speculate" on the big boxing match any longer.

Bill Smith went down to Jackson recently and was seeing the sights with the help of an obliging newfound acquaintance. They came to the State Capitol building.

"Cessar, what a big place," quoth Bill. "That ain't the gasworks, is it?"

"Yeah," replied his guide, "that's the gasworks for the whole blinkin' state."

Judge—I notice that, in addition to misappropriating \$500, you took a considerable quantity of valuables in the form of rings, watches, and other trinkets."

Prisoner—Yus, sir; I remembered that money alone don't bring happiness."

A dramatist was talking to a critic about himself and his work and his aims and all the rest of it.

"I have had," he said, "a whole crowd of imitators."

"Yes," said the critic, "especially beforehand."

Jennie—He must have a soft spot in his heart for me. Wennie—Why?

Jennie—He says he is always thinking of me. Wennie—But a man doesn't think with his heart. The soft place must be in his head.

M'Corkie—You can say what you please about flying machines, but one of them saved my life once. M'Crackle—How?

M'Corkie—I had arranged to go in one on its trial trip, but something went wrong with it, and it never started.

Nervously, and with many misgivings, an old lady hailed a taxi. "Now, driver," she cautioned, "you must be very careful. Don't go on unless the policeman tells you and don't drive fast in case the cab skids."

"All right, lady," replied the driver; "and if there's an accident is there any particular 'orspital you'd prefer?"

A certain lady who is proud of her aristocratic ancestors, happened to show her maid the silhouette of an aunt of hers.

The girl had never seen anything of the kind before, and she gazed at the portrait long and earnestly.

"Lor, mum," she said at length, "I always thought you had some relations like that—you're that dark in the face yourself!"

Mamma—Did I not see you sitting on that young man's knee when I passed the parlour door last night?

Daughter—Yes, and it was very embarrassing. I wish you had not told me to.

"Good gracious! I never told you to do anything of the kind!" "You did. You distinctly told me that if he got sentimental I must sit on him."

The inspector was paying his monthly visit to the village school. He examined the children in reading and general knowledge, as was his custom, and was very pleased with the answers he received.

After the last question had been asked and answered satisfactorily he rose to his feet and, looking slowly round on the upturned faces, he remarked genially:

"I wish I was a little boy at school again."

He allowed a few moments for this to sink in and then added: "Do you know why I wish that?"

For a moment or two there was silence and then a childish voice from the back of the room was heard to say:

"Cos you've forgot all you ever knowed."

Daughter—This piano is really my very own, isn't it, papa? And when I marry I can take it with me, can't I?

"Certainly, my child. But don't tell anyone; in might spoil your chances."

English Traveller (who has missed his connection)—Which is the best hotel in the town? Irish Porter—There are some that prefer the Railway Hotel, and there are some that prefer the Imperial; but whichever of the two you go to, you'll lie awake all night, wishing you'd gone to the other.

TUNNEY WINS.

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The ring was erected squarely in the centre of the 50-yard line of the football gridiron on Soldiers' Field and was surrounded by the 40 seats which stretched to the rails of the stadium seats on all sides. This meant that even the holders of the most expensive seats if they were late and got the back row were not within 150 feet of the ropes.

While the ringside seats were on the flat, the 300 seats occupied the first 24 rows of the stadium tiers, then came fifteen rows at \$25 some at \$20 and the topmost rows at \$10. Some \$5 seats were provided at the corners of the stadium, furthest from the ring. Tex Rickard placed agencies for the tickets with 10,000 railway station agents throughout the country and every seat was reserved.

Precedent Against Dempsey. Precedent was all against Dempsey winning.

There was old John L. Sullivan. Good old John L. He never fought after his defeat by Corbett in that soggy ring flooded with river sand at New Orleans. He

again to face the annihilating attack of the dreaded Dempsey more than anything else induced Big Jess to surrender to the charges of the Wild Bull.

May Retire.

This second episode of the Dempsey-Tunney battle for the world's heavyweight championship may be the last ring engagement for both principals, starting as this idea may seem in an era of million dollar purses.

So far as Tex Rickard is concerned the possibility may be dismissed here and now, for Tex has an understanding with both by which the winner will appear in another heavyweight extravaganza in 1928.

Tunney, whose tastes run counter to the glare and glare that goes with the heavyweight title, frequently has told friends that he intended to hang up his gloves "when he made his million." With one million in hand, of course, Tunney may decide another will be useful.

Dempsey's prime object in returning to action was to win back the crown he wore and prized so highly for seven years. He might have retired last fall had he successfully defended it against Tunney.

the city for the 1928 heavyweight fight rests with the future. It may go to Boston, home of John L. Sullivan and Jack Sharkey, which has never harboured a championship bout; it may go to the British capital, or Tex Rickard may decide to stage the battle in some Southern city.

Coney Island, New York's biggest pleasure resort, was the scene of two championship fights, namely, the Jeffries-Fitzsimmons match, when the former defeated Bob, and the Jeffries-Tom Sharkey battle. Georges Carpentier, the French idol, fought Jack Dempsey for the championship at Boyle's Thirty Acres, Jersey City. San Francisco, at the other end of the country, has been the scene of four title bouts—the Jeffries and Corbett, Jeffries and Fitzsimmons, Corbett and Sharkey, and Jeffries and Jack Monroe fights.

A Sydney Fight.

New Orleans was the scene of Corbett's defeat of John L. Sullivan. Residents of Jacksonville, Florida, then saw Corbett knock out Charlie Mitchell of England. Carson City, Nevada, was selected as the theatre for the Fitzsimmons-Corbett battle. Before this fight, Johnson defeated Tommy Burns in Sydney, Australia, in what was regarded then as a title bout, but Johnson was not officially champion until two years later when he knocked out Jeffries.

Willard defeated Johnson at Havana, and several years later saw the former wilt before the blows of the young Jack Dempsey. At Benton Harbour, Michigan, Dempsey knocked out Billy Miske, and later the champion finished Bill Brennan in New York. Still later, Dempsey defeated Tommy Gibbons at Shelby, Montana, and the next battle was the Firpo-Dempsey affair in New York.

WOOD'S SUCCESSOR.

COOLIDGE NOT LIKELY TO MAKE HASTY DECISION.

Washington, Sept. 11. Resident Commissioner Guevara's action in definitely announcing to the United Press that Major General Frank McIntyre is the man he backs for Governor-General of the Philippines has, in connection with the added endorsement of Senate President Quezon, created much debate here.

It is felt that President Coolidge is too astute to proceed hastily in the naming of a successor to the late Governor-General Wood, particularly in view of the favourable reports which have been received concerning the work of acting Governor-General Gilmore. While Guevara and Quezon have undoubtedly cast a heavy weight in the scale for General McIntyre, the question is considered far from settled and a considerable time may elapse before the choice is either made or announced.

In view of the tendency to discuss Henry L. Stimson in connection with the governor-generalship, attention has been drawn once more to a recent magazine article by Stimson in which he indicates a parliamentary system as the eventual method of working out the dominant party in the legislature, but it is made plain that Stimson feels this scheme must wait upon the creation of a more genuine development of political parties than has taken place in the Philippines as yet.

Carmel Thompson is being frequently mentioned and rumours connected with him at the time of his survey in the Philippines for President Coolidge are being revived.

It is emphasised in official circles, however, that although it is easy to list names of those who seem to be possibilities, any definite statement at this time is bound to be premature.—United Press.

W. Morgan Shuster.

Washington, Sept. 15. The Philippine Republic reports that W. Morgan Shuster is being mentioned as one of the possibilities for the governorship of the Philippine Islands.

Shuster is the president of the Century Publishing Company in New York. He was formerly collector of customs in the Philippines and a former member of the Philippine Commission and later a financial adviser to the Persian government.—United Press.

No Hurry.

Washington, Sept. 15. Secretary Davis of the War Department is still of the opinion that there is no need for haste in naming the late Governor-General Wood's successor.

He pointed out that the new governor-general would not care to assume his duties until his appointment had been approved by the Senate, and that he waited until he would be able to reach the Philippines in time to be of service in connection with the deliberations of the Insular Legislature, which adjourns in November. Secretary Davis made it clear he was not advised as to the President's plans regarding the appointment.—Associated Press.

THE MASKED BRIDE.

MAE MURRAY SHOWING AT QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Mae Murray, as Gaby, a cabaret dancer, adequately fills the film now at the Queen's Theatre. This is "The Masked Bride," and it gives some very interesting scenes of Montmartre and the life of that quarter of Paris. Mae Murray, as Gaby, captivates a Marquis, but anything approaching an alliance is held in check by the presence of the girl's lover and dancing partner, Antoine, a part splendidly played by Basil Rathbone. Antoine is also a jewel thief, and Gaby herself is suspect, and a wonderful diamond necklace enters into the story. This brings about the happy ending, incidentally. As the Marquis, Francis X. Bushman, who recently passed through Hong Kong, gave a pleasing presentation, and Roy D'Arcy makes a capital Perfect of Police. The film is one that holds the interest, is filled with action, and well photographed.

There is a Mack Sennett comedy, some screen snapshots (showing film stars at home) and a Pathe newsreel on the programme.

"The Masked Bride" will be repeated to-day at all performances.

PACIFIC RELATIONS.

VIEWS ON THE CHINESE POSITION.

Sydney, Aug. 10.

The Australian delegates to the recent conference of the Institute of Pacific Relations, held in Honolulu, consisting of Mr. E. W. Eggleston and Mr. G. L. Wood, of Melbourne, and Mr. C. H. Curry and Miss Persin Campbell, of Sydney, returned to Sydney to-day. Although the conference was unofficial, being in no way assisted by Government, all the nations interested in problems of the Pacific were represented. No resolutions were passed and no programme was formulated, but it served to facilitate a helpful and practical exchange of ideas, and brought people in contact with one another for the promotion of mutual understanding of their problems, and for the modification of various points of views in relation to Pacific affairs. Great Britain was well represented. The leader of the delegation was Sir Frederick Whyte, who soon came to occupy a conspicuous place in the round table and plenary meetings.

A discussion on various aspects of the Chinese problem monopolised the conference for several days. The case of the Nationalists was temperately and tactfully stated by an able group of Chinese, led by Dr. Yui, and supported by Dr. Koo and others. Unfortunately, there was no one to put the point of view of the foreign commercial and financial interests in China, although their attitude was indicated in a statement by Mr. W. P. Kers, a member of the consular service in that country. General sympathy was expressed with the Nationalist aspirations, and the hope was expressed that there would soon be established a Nationalist Government, with which negotiations could be equal to the discharge of its international obligations.

The economic position of the Japanese was also discussed. The future policy of Japan towards Pacific problems was said to be entirely in doubt, in consequence of the franchise having been greatly increased, and until the elections were held in May, when it was expected that 10,000,000 people would vote, the Government could not say where it would stand. It was evident from the tone of the Japanese representatives that Japan still bitterly resented the American expulsion law of 1924, by which Japanese subjects were prevented from entering the country. They did not question the right of a sovereign State to say who it would admit, but they did maintain that the legislation, as passed, was discriminatory and hurtful to their pride. While the White Australia policy was in no way challenged, the action of America in prohibiting the immigration of Eastern races, was taken as a distinct insult.

Suicide while of unsteady mind was recorded at a Thunderley (Essex) inquest on Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Farish, a widow, aged 85, who lowered herself through a window with a sheet, into a tank containing 18 inches of water, and drowned herself.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

September 23—Queen's Theatre: "The Masked Bride."

September 23—World Theatre: "Her Sister From Paris."

September 23—Star Theatre, Kowloon: "Sea Horses."

September 23—Theatre Royal: "Peg O' My Heart," 9.15 p.m.

September 23—Oriental Strolling Players and Northamptonshire Regiment Band, at Lee Theatre, 9.30 p.m.

September 23—24—Whitely Smith and his Majestic Music Masters, at the Hong Kong Hotel, Roof Garden.

September 23—Concerts at the "Cheer O," 7 p.m. and the "Better Ole," 7.15 p.m.

September 23—Concert at the Rope Factory (arranged by Mrs. Youngusband), 8 p.m.

September 23—Forbes Russell Comedy Co., opens brief season at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, starting with "Bluebeard's Eighth Wife," 9.15 p.m.

October 1—H.K. & W.G. & M.C.L.'s "Fun o' The Fair," Lee Gardens, from 3.30 p.m. to midnight.

October 13—First of a series of eleven concerts for the winter season, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m., starting with "Gilbert and Sullivan."

October 21—Nelson Day. Navy League hold Annual Concert (through courtesy of H.K. Amusements, Ltd., Queen's Theatre), 9.30 p.m.

Sports.

September 23—Ping Pong League: Wah Yan College v. St. Peter's Club (Y.M.C.A.).

September 23—Services Relay Team Championship Race, 5.15 p.m.

September 24—Tennis Leagues Chinese Recreation Club v. the Rest of the League.

September 24—Ping Pong League: H.K.U. v. Y.M.C.A. (S.C.A.A.).

September 24—Police and Prison Departments' annual aquatic sports, Victoria Recreation Club, starting 3 p.m.

September 26—Steel and Coulson's Billiard League R.A. v. Queen's; Northants v. K.O.S.B.; St. Patrick's Club v. Police; Revenue v. Garrison Spt. mess.

September 26—Ping Pong League: S.C.C.A. v. C.A.A. (C.C.Y.M.S.).

September 27—Ping Pong League: T. Institute v. St. Louis Club (Y.M.C.A.).

September 28—Ping Pong League: W. Y. College v. C.C.Y.M.S. (St. Peter's Club).

September 29—Steel & Coulson's Billiard League: Queen's v. R.A.; K.O.S.B. v. Northants; Police v. St. Patrick's Club; Garrison Spt. Mess. v. Revenue.

September 29—Club de Recreio v. Hop Ying Club (C.C.Y.M.S.).

September 30—Ping Pong League: W.Y.O.B.U. v. C.C.Y.M.S. (Y.M.C.A.).

October 2—Hong Kong Jockey Club's sixth extra race meeting at Happy Valley Race Course.

Lammerts' Auctions.

September 24—At the premises of the Au Chic Parisien, Ground Floor, 12 Pedder Street, th. goods and chattels of Marie Flint and J. L. Durand, 10 a.m.

September 26—At 10 Ice House Street, Ground Floor, provisions, perfumes and furniture, etc., 10 a.m.

September 27—Valuable household furniture at 7, Carnarvon Buildings, Kowloon, 11 a.m.

September 27—Annual general meeting of members of the Kowloon Cricket Club, in the Club House, 5.30 p.m.

October 22—Meeting of the New Territories' Agricultural Show Committee, at Sheung Shui, 2.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

September 23—Public rump at the Hong Kong Jockey Club Stables, Causeway Bay, 5.30 p.m.

September 24—Reception in honour of His Excellency the Governor of Macao, at the Club Lusitano, 4.30 p.m.

September 24—St. Peter's Church bathing picnic to Junk Bay, (s.l. "Man Tat," leaves Queen's Pier at 8.45 p.m.)

September 24—Entries close for the sixth extra race meeting of the H.K. Jockey Club, noon.

September 25—Public lecture of the Theosophical Society at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, Des Vaux Road, 8 p.m.

September 26—Debate at St. Peter's Church Y.M. Club House, 8.30 p.m.

September 26—Hong Kong Male Voice Choir rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 9 p.m.

September 29—H.K.V.D.C. route march from Polo Ground to Tai Koo.

October 8—Charity Bazaar of the Chinese Sisters of the Precious Blood, at Catholic Young Men's Club, 16 Caine Road.

December 15—Matriculation, Senior & Junior Local Examinations at the Hong Kong University, Bonham Road.

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Tunney looking over his new contract with Tex Rickard.

boxed in a few exhibitions, it's true, but he never again engaged in actual ring combat.

Then there were Corbett and Fitzsimmons. They never met after their little bout at Carson City. Gentleman Jim failed—failed gloriously but nevertheless failed—in his attempt to win the championship from Jeffries who had taken it from freckled Bob.

Following his defeat by Jeffries at Coney Island, Fitz knocked out Jim Thorne, Jim Daly, Ed Dunkhorst, Gus Ruhlman and Tom Sharkey in a row, but when the 40-year-old attempted to recapture the throne from the boiler-maker in Frisco, Ruby Robert met the same fate as at Coney Island.

And poor Jim Jeffries. Eight years out of boxing, he lugged what was left of his hulk back into the ring at Reno and was massacred by the Galveston Black who had mounted the heavyweight throne.

Think of Jack Johnson, Lil' John Artha did not obtain another title tilt after he was bumped off by Willard because he was what was quaintly known as in Dutch with the authorities. He took mighty good care to stay off the front page for quite a long while.

And Jess Willard. The big Kansas cowboy never got over that terrible lacing Dempsey gave him in the Massacre of Maumee Bay. He knocked out Floyd Johnson and then quit to Erlo. Those who know Willard best say that dread of having

Big Fight Site.

The sites of the world heavyweight title fights have been international in extent. Chicago built on the shifting sands of Lake Michigan's shores, has now had its first. Pugilistic history shows that there is no so-called "capital" for this sport, although spectacular exhibitions in other athletic forms have generally hovered around one locality.

The site of the heavyweight title fight the last three decades has shifted from New York to San Francisco, and in Australia and Cuba. Popular demand has often been the determining factor, but sometimes official opposition has driven the title bout from one proposed state to another where laws were less harsh on the sport. For example, this was the case with the fight between Jim Jeffries and Jack Johnson, which was driven from California to Nevada. Later a federal indictment against Jack Johnson prohibited him from re-entering the United States, on pain of arrest, and in consequence he fought Jess Willard at Havana. Again, price restrictions drove the Tunney-Dempsey fight last September from New York to Philadelphia.

What About London?

Philadelphia had its first heavyweight title fight on that occasion. Chicago is next, and now Tex Rickard is considering London as the scene for the 1928 battle. However, the selection of



Jack Before the Fight.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Four live tigers and a honey-bear were included in Sir Hugh Clifford's "baggage" on board the "Seabelle" which arrived from the East Coast.

When told it was a great honour to have lived a hundred years, Mrs. Mary Johnson, of Leicester, who celebrated her 100th birthday on August 1, said: "It depends how you've lived them."

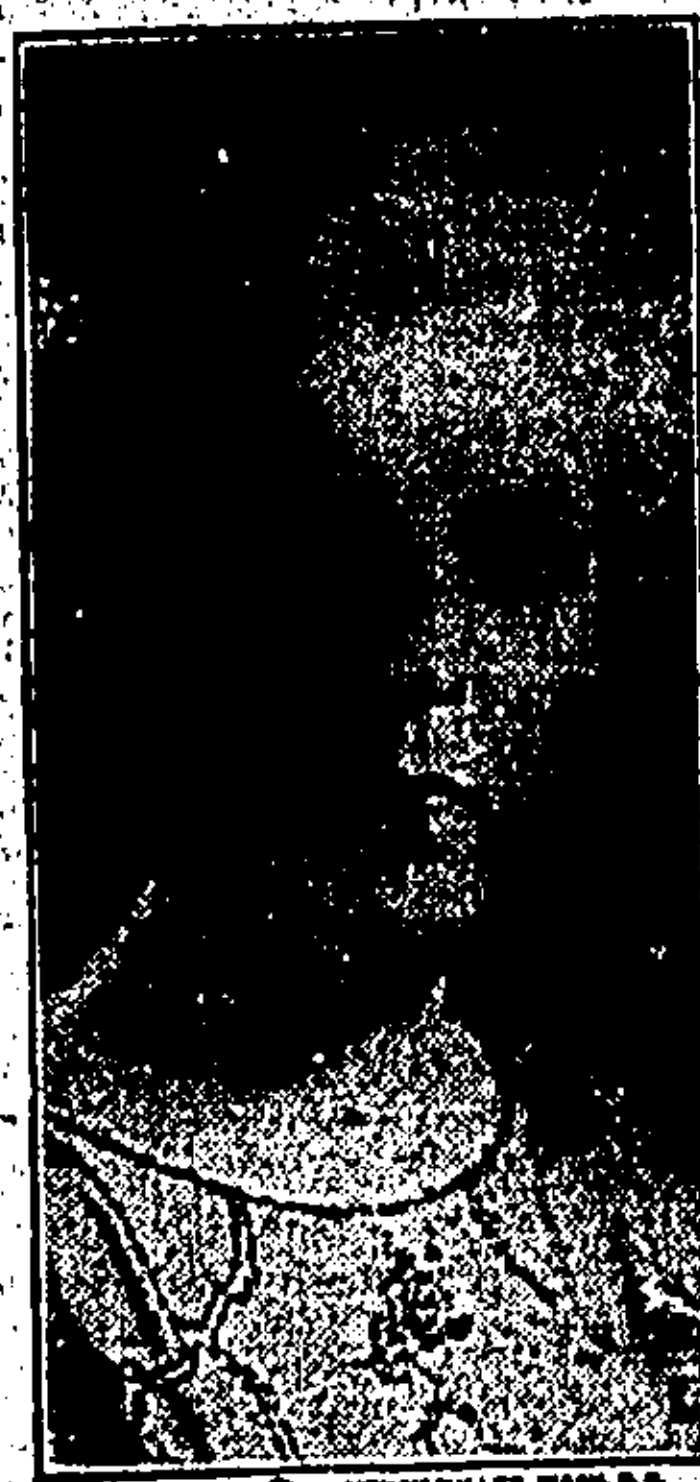
A Chinese cook employed at Whitfield Barracks, Kowloon, yesterday pleaded "guilty" before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate to the theft of fifteen tins of salmon, six tins of milk and two pounds of tea. He was sentenced to two months' hard labour.

The Shanghai Municipal Police, at the request of Mr. Bos, the deputy for the Senior Consul who, on September 12, registered an objection to the order of the Provisional Court to hand over 25 men charged with having committed a crime in the Settlement, has decided not to surrender the men at this time but to permit them an opportunity to appeal against the extradition order.

A Chinese broke into Det. Sgt. Williamson's quarters at 14 Quinsan Gardens, Shanghai, and tried to steal a portable gramophone, valued at \$25. In the Provisional Court he asserted that he had been told by his master, a foreign chief officer on one of the Taikoo ships, to steal the machine. A remand was ordered, pending the appearance of accused's master.

Provisional arrangements for the seventh congress of the Far Eastern Association for Tropical Medicine to be held in Calcutta in December have been made. After a week of scientific sessions the Congress will split up for tours, and one party of about 130 strong, including interpreters, will visit Benares, Lucknow, Delhi, and Agra. Another party will visit the Kala Azar area in Assam.

Suggestions for the future programme were made at the opening practice dance of the recently constituted Reid Club at the Helena May Institute on Wednesday afternoon. About fifty out of an approximate number of eighty members attended. It was thought that a series of Subscription Dances might be held once a month with a programme embodying the Scottish dances as practised at the Reid Club meetings, alternating with modern dances. The enhanced effect of wearing Highland evening dress when dancing the Reels was stressed and it was hoped that the ladies, too, would wear their tartan sashes and brooches on the occasion of the Ball.



The Countess Pecorini Manzoni, wife of the Italian Ambassador to France, who, it is reported, will go to Washington in the near future with her husband. It is rumoured in diplomatic circles that Count Manzoni will succeed Ambassador Martino.

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce, in response to the letter received from the General Chamber of Commerce asking for the proposed agenda for a conference aiming at the revival of trade, have written to the General Chamber of Commerce to the effect that the agenda will be forwarded in due course.

Charged with the murder of a 16-year-old Chinese youth by stabbing him in the abdomen with a penknife in the course of a quarrel while attending bullocks at Hopshok village, Kowloon City, a Chinese boy aged 12 years was yesterday produced before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate and remanded for a week on the application of Sub-Inspector Fallon.

A trivial quarrel between two Chinese living at No. 35 Eastern Street, yesterday, led to blows. In the course of the struggle, the man who was getting the worse of the fight was alleged to have picked up a chisel and attacked his opponent with it, wounding him in the head. The injured man who lost a lot of blood through the wound bleeding freely, was taken to the hospital for treatment. He alleged assailant has been arrested and is being detained by the police.

Reports from Hankow state that Borodin, contrary to reports that he is in Russia, is still in Loyang and that General Gallen is in Hankow.

When a Turkish census is to be taken, all persons must remain in their homes for 24 hours, stores are closed, transportation is at a standstill and telephones and telegraph are silent.

The Unification Committee of the Shanghai General Labour Council has communicated with the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company asking for compensation for the family of a workman employed by the company who was killed while at work.

While a motor car driven by a Chinese was proceeding from Bonham Strand East in the direction of Queen's Road yesterday afternoon, a 6-year-old Chinese girl suddenly ran out of a side lane off Jervois Street and crossed the road in front of the oncoming motor car. Although the driver applied the brake immediately, he was unable to pull the car up in time, and the child was knocked down. She sustained only slight injuries to her head, however, and was taken to her home by the driver of the car. An offer was made to take the little girl to the hospital, but her parents refused.

The Queen is greatly interested in the Windsor Town Council scheme for the clearance of the dilapidated property in River Street, under the walls of Windsor Castle. A year or two ago her Majesty went over several of the old houses there and was surprised to see the conditions under which some of the people lived. Since then nearly all the old houses have been pulled down and the residents have removed to new houses erected by the corporation on the outskirts of the town. There was at one time a colony of Italian organ-grinders and ice-cream vendors in River Street, and one little shop still remains.

There was a sequel at the Kowloon Magistrate yesterday to the attempted armed robbery at No. 184 Leichikok Road, Shamshulpo, in the course of which the wife of a shopkeeper was stabbed by one of three intruders, and one of the trio was eventually shot at and wounded by a Chinese constable while the gang was making their get away. Two of the arrested men were produced before Mr. W. Schofield, and pending the recovery of the other man who was said to be still in hospital, his Worship remanded the men in police custody for a week. A fold of the shop who was charged with conspiracy with the three would-be robbers was also remanded.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Captain A. H. Chalmers, of the Marine Department, Singapore, has returned from a holiday in Australia.

The Hon. Mr. W. Peel, C.M.G., Chief Secretary to Government, F.M.S., has been granted five months and twenty-five days' leave on full pay.

Mr. J. Edmonds, of the staff of the Jelebu Government English School, has left the General Hospital, Seremban, after undergoing an operation for throat trouble.

The latest issue of "Overseas" says: "We are glad to welcome back to the ranks of the Overseas League Sir Claud Severn, K.B.E., who was originally a Member of the League in Hong Kong."

Ex-Senators Lenroot (Wisconsin) and Underwood (Alabama) have been appointed members, respectively, of the Anglo-American and Franco-American Commissions dealing with arbitration.—Reuter.

The Chinese Athletic Association's football team and several of their members who recently represented China in the 8th Far Eastern Olympiad are leaving to-night by the s.s. "Sai On" for Canton to a reception given in their honour by the Overseas Dept. of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang.

At the annual general meeting of the Sungei Patani Club the following Committee was elected:—President: Che Ahmad, D.O. (ex officio); Vice-President: Mr. H. R. Walden; Hon. Treasurer: Mr. Forward; Hon. Secretary: Tuan Said Jan; Members of Committee: Messrs. N. Jones, M.C., L. A. Robb, W. M. E. Martin, and Pulley.

The late Mr. George C. Tyler first came to Malaya in 1911 and joined the Malayan Rubber Estates and was appointed manager of Hamilton Estate in 1917. He was subsequently manager of Hill Rise Estate and Bayland Estate and then assumed the management of Chagar Gals Estate, Kuala Lumpur. When that property was sold he joined Sempah Rubber Estates, in charge of the company's Penanti Estate in Province Wellesley. He was there for two months before his untimely death. He leaves a widow and one child now at home.

The death is announced of Lord George Hamilton.—Reuter.

Mrs. J. J. Fleury of Alor Star and Mrs. J. A. Symes of Jitra have gone up Kedah Peak.

New members of the Overseas League are Mrs. E. G. Davidson and Messrs. G. A. Burn and A. Hyde Lay, of Hong Kong.



A recent photograph of Prince Michael of Roumania. Although only a youngster, Michael was declared heir apparent some months ago when his father and the husband of Princess Helen relinquished claim to the throne.

A notable visitor to Ceylon at present is Tunku Kasim, son of His Highness the Sultan of Kedah, who has arrived there for the benefit of his health. He was entertained by the United Club, of which he was elected a vice-patron, at an extraordinary general meeting specially summoned for the purpose. Tunku Kasim expressed his pleasure at being able to meet them and thanked them for the honour they had conferred upon him. He gave them a satisfying reply that the Malaya in Ceylon had not forgotten their fatherland and that they were able to speak their national language so fluently.

Mr. D. Mathieson and Mr. V. C. Nolan who went on a visit to Singapore have returned by the s.s. "Ipoh."

The newly appointed secretary of the Selangor Golf Club, Mr. H. C. Taylor, retired from the F.M.S. Police as O.C.P.D., Seremban, after about 20 years' service.

Mr. R. S. Jervoise, of the Malayan Civil Service, who returned by the s.s. "Malwa" will, it is said, act as District Officer, Krian, when Mr. W. R. Boyd goes on leave.

Hon. Ernest William David Duncombe, aged 17, brother and heir of the Earl of Feversham, was killed as a result of the motor car he was driving colliding with a motor lorry near Grantham.

Mr. Roy Young, Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, has been appointed to succeed Mr. Crissinger, who recently retired from the Chairmanship of the U.S. Federal Bank.—Reuter.

A diplomat with a distinguished career, Sir George Bonham, Bart., died in his 80th year at his residence, Knowle Park, Cranleigh, Surrey. He succeeded to the baronetcy on the death of his father in 1868, and served in the diplomatic service at the Hague, Rome, Lisbon, and Madrid, and subsequently became Minister at Belgrade, and later at Bern. He retired in 1909. Lady Bonham died in 1923. Sir George is succeeded in the baronetcy by his son, Major Eric Henry Bonham, Comptroller of Prince Arthur's Household.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Hugh Clifford, and Lady Clifford and His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Malaya, (Major-General C. O. van Straubenzee) and Mrs. van Straubenzee, who have been visiting the East Coast, returned to Singapore from Singapore by the "Seabelle". A sailplane from H.M.S. "Hermes" circled around the Government yacht, upon her entering the harbour, and His Excellency and Lady Clifford, accompanied by the Major-General and Mrs. van Straubenzee, were on board. The Governor and Lady Clifford were accompanied by the Major-General and Mrs. van Straubenzee, who have been visiting the East Coast, returned to Singapore from Singapore by the "Seabelle". A sailplane from H.M.S. "Hermes" circled around the Government yacht, upon her entering the harbour, and His Excellency and Lady Clifford, accompanied by the Major-General and Mrs. van Straubenzee, were on board.

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Conditions in Canton and Kwangtung generally come in for special treatment in the "Overland." The position and power of the ruling general Li Chai-sum, is freely discussed, and comprehensive reports are given of activities in the various parts of the Province.

Matters of interest to Hong Kong-ites dealt with in the "Overland" include the full report of the Legislative Council meeting at which the Unofficial Members gave their views on the Colony's budget, full sporting and social events, and special articles dealing with different phases of local activity.

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SPORTS

VETERAN WINS.

FINE GOLF BY JAMES BRAID.

Walton Heath, Yesterday.

Rain and a strong sou'wester heralded in the fourth round of the "News of the World" competition.

Braid beat Miles at the 19th. Braid took the lead at the long fourth but lost the fifth, missing a putt. They were all square at the sixth. Playing magnificently against the wind, Braid won the next two and turned one up.

Each putting cost Miles the next two. The twelfth and thirteenth were halved. Then Miles took the next four and they were all square at the eighteenth. The veteran held over ten feet at the nineteenth.

Compton beat Charles Whitcombe by four and three.

Ernest Whitcombe beat Robertson by two and one.

Williamson beat Robson by two and one.

In the semi-finals Braid beat Ernest Whitcombe by one hole. Braid made a dramatic recovery after being three down at the tenth. Whitcombe missed just over a foot putt at the eleventh, costing him the hole. Braid won the fourteenth and squared matters at the sixteenth. The seventeenth was halved. Whitcombe bunkered with his second shot at the eighteenth, and although he played a marvellous shot out he missed a four foot putt for the half. The 57 years-old Walton Heath professional winning to the great joy of the crowd.

Compton beat Williamson by two and one. Compton played very attractive golf and won the first three. Williamson was erratic and four down at the eighth. After that he improved and won the thirteenth and fourteenth and two long putts. He under-clubbed himself at the seventeenth, Compton holing from off the green.—Reuter.

POLO IN U.S.A.

ARMY DEFEATS RAMBLERS.

Westbury, Sept. 22.

The United States Army team, C. A. Wilkinson, Captains Gerhardt, Rodas and Huthastetter defeated the Ramblers, C. V. Whitney, Captain Pert, Malcolm Stevenson and Robert Strawbridge, junior, by 6/5 goals in the first round of the open polo tournament.—Reuter's American Service.

ON THE RACECOURSE

QUEER INCIDENTS THAT OCCUR.

Many curious things happen to riders on the racecourse.

It is not unusual for one to lose his whip. Once, a jockey dropped his at a critical moment, snatched off his cap and used it instead of the usual implement.

The horse, evidently impressed by this new form of argument, won easily.

The most amusing incident in this connection, however, took place a few years ago on the renowned steeple-chase course at Punchestown.

An old farmer-owner had staked all he could raise on one of his horses, and to make doubly sure of success engaged the crack jockey, of the time to ride it.

The animal had only one dangerous rival, and this belonged to the farmer's deadliest enemy.

Came the great race, in which both horses, who had been running neck and neck, fell at the wall close to the finish.

Both riders at once leaped to their feet, and in spite of much confusion created by a crowd of well-wishers, remounted the horses.

A thrilling finish followed, in which the crack rider just defeated his rival.

He returned to the unsaddling enclosure smiling broadly, and was surprised to see the farmer trembling with fury.

"Come down out of that saddle, you rotten humbug," he shouted.

"But I won all right, didn't I?" asked the jockey.

"Yes, you thieving scoundrel, you did," came the answer, "but you won on the wrong horse."

TO-DAY'S PONY SALE.

Messrs. Hughes and Hough are holding a public sale at the Hong Kong Jockey Club Stables, Causeway Bay, to-day, at 5.30 p.m., and the following race ponies are to be sold:—

"Baccarat," bay, 13.0.

"Shan Mein," grey, 13.0.

"Macao Beauty," black, 13.1.

"Papyrus," grey, 13.0.

"Mississippi," dun, 13.1.

"Dragon Boat," grey, 13.1.

"Ester Day," grey, 13.1.

Griffin chestnut, 13.1. Time 1 mile, 12.17, galloped in Shanghai.

Griffin skewbald, 13.2. Time 1 mile, 13.24, galloped in Shanghai.

LAWN BOWLS.

THE SPEY ROYAL CUP COMPETITIONS.

In the Spey Royal Cup competition the Kowloon Bowling Green Club play the Police R.C. on the Civil Service C.C. ground tomorrow afternoon.

The K.C.C. play the Tai Koo R.C. on the Kowloon Dock R.C. Green on Sunday morning.

YACHTING IN U.S.A.

NORWAY BEATEN IN CUP RACE.

Oyster Bay, Yesterday.

The United States has retained the Seawanhaka Cup as the result of beating Prince Olaf of Norway's boat "Noreg," by 66 seconds over a 12 miles triangular course.—Reuter's American Service.

HOME SOCCER.

WIN FOR SPURS.

London, Yesterday.

In a First Division match Tottenham Hotspur defeated Leicester by two goals to one.—Reuter.

COMMAND SWIM.

EXCELLENT SPORT AT ANNUAL EVENT.

The third annual swimming gala of the South China Command took place at the R.A.S.C. canteen yesterday under the patronage of H.E. Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., the General Officer Commanding and the presidency of Lt. Col. L. J. Comyn, D.S.O., the O.C. of the King's Own Scottish Borderers. It was a very successful affair.

The detailed results follows:—

Unit Relay Race Championship Cup (free style). Cup presented by the Soldiers' Club. Open to one team of seven men per unit.—(Winners 1926 12th Heavy Battery, R.A.). 1st man swims 30 yards, 2nd 60 yards, 3rd 90 yards, 4th 60 yards, 5th, 6th, and 7th, 60 yards each.—1, 12th Battery, R.A.; 2, K.O.S.B.

Army Boys' Handicap Race (open to children of all ranks under 14). 90 yards free style.—1, T. Hawkins; 2, J. Green; 3, J. Crossan.

Individual Army Championship Race, Challenge Cup (open to other ranks). Cup presented by Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd. (Distance 90 yards breast stroke, 90 yards back stroke and 90 yards free style) Winner 1926: L. Br. Norris, 12th Heavy Battery, R.A.—1, Bdr. Norris (R.A.); 2, L. Cpl. Rosenthal (K.O.S.B.); 3, Pte. Faulkenor (K.O.S.B.).

The Luard Championship Race Challenge Cup. (Presented by H.E. Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.). Open to Officers. Distance 90 yards free style. (Winner 1926: Lt. R. Q. F. Johnstone, D.L.I.).—1, Lt. R. Q. F. Johnstone (D.L.I.); 2, Capt. Perfect (K.O.S.B.).

120 Yards Championship of the Army in Hong Kong. (Open to all units in the Command) free style.—1, Bdr. Norris (R.A.); 2, Gnr. Rosser (R.A.).

Army Girls' Handicap Race. (Open to children under 14 years of age).—1, N. Crossen; 2, V. Bunt; 3, D. Booker.

150 Yards Championship Race, Challenge Cup. (Presented by Officers of Small Units). Open to all ranks. (Winner 1926: L. Bdr. Norris, 12th Heavy Battery, R.A. Time: 2mins. 1.1-5secs.).—1, Bdr. Norris (R.A.); 2, L. Cpl. Floyd (R.A.S.C.); 3, Mr. Gnr. Netty (R.A.).

Diving Championship, Challenge Cup. (Presented by Messrs. Steel, Coulson & Co.). Open to all ranks. Three dives each. Points awarded for entry, recovery. Maximum Points 90. (Winner 1926: L. Sgt. Leach, East Surrey Regiment).—1, Guardsman Williams (Scots Guards); 2, Sgt. Hill (Scots Guards); 3, L. Cpl. Batchelor (K.O.S.B.).

Unit Team Championship Race, Challenge Cup. (Presented by the Royal Artillery). Open to one team of 4 men per unit. Distance half a mile, free style. First complete team home wins. (Winner 1926: 12th Heavy Battery, R.A. Time: 15mins. 55secs.).—1, 12th Battery, R.A.; 2, 31st Battery, R.A.).

First home: Pte. Faulkenor (K.O.S.B.).

Second home: Pte. Ferguson (K.O.S.B.).

Pillow Fight (open to all ranks).—1, L. Cpl. Cole (Queen's); 2, Gnr. Park (R.A.); 3, Pte. Champelovier (K.O.S.B.).

Water Polo.—Winners of Garrison Water Polo League, the 31st Heavy Battery, R.A., the Best Referee: Corporal Bowell, Royal Marines. (Won in 1926 by 38th Heavy Battery, R.A.). Result: 3-0.

The Royal Artillery won by 3 goals to 2.

LOCAL PING PONG.

RESULTS OF LAST WEEK'S MATCHES.

The following are the results of the Ping-pong matches played during last week.

Recrelo gave a walk over to S.C.A.A., C.A.A., beat Hop Ying, W.Y.O.B.U., beat Tutorial, G.R.C. gave a walk over to Wah Yan College, H.K.U. beat C.C.Y.M.S., W.Y.O.B.U. v. Y.M.C.A. (suspended).

Teams. P. W. L. Pts.

S.C.A.A. 4 4 0 8

Wah Yan O.B.U. 4 4 0 8

Y.M.C.A. 4 4 0 8

C.A.A. 3 3 0 6

H.K.U. 2 2 0 4

Hop Ying 4 2 2 4

St. Peter's 5 2 3 4

Wah Yan College 3 1 2 4

Tutorial 2 1 2 2

Recrelo 2 0 2 0

C.C.Y.M.S. 3 0 3 0

St. Louis 3 0 3 0

G.R.C. 4 0 4 0

LOCAL SOCCER.

The H.K. Club defeated the Police in a friendly game yesterday by one goal to nil, Simpson scoring against his old Club. Several new men were tried in both teams.

KOWLOON F.C.

SUCCESSFUL PAST YEAR REVIEWED.

TENNIS COURT PROPOSAL.

A successful year so far as membership and playing ability was concerned was reported at the annual meeting of the Kowloon Football Club yesterday over which Mr. R. Hal, President of the Club, presided.

The question of \$2,000 "sundry debtors" was raised by Mr. T. G. Stokes and the Chairman stated that he believed a good portion of it was recoverable.

Mr. Stokes said that he noticed several names had been "posted" for over six months. Was it not possible to make the proposers of such defaulting persons responsible for their outstanding accounts?

The Chairman replied that there was a new rule which automatically stopped a man from signing after a time.

In the course of further discussion, the proposal that the Club should construct a tennis court for the use of members found favour and the matter was left to the incoming Committee.

On the suggestion of Mr. Bond, it was decided to donate \$100 to Dr. Barnardo's Homes.

The meeting also decided to grant the outgoing Honorary Secretary and Bar Convenor the sum of \$150 each as honoraria.

A proposal to construct an entrance way from the road to the pavilion was referred to the new Committee.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President: Mr. R. Hall.

Chairman: Mr. C. A. Walker.

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. E. O. Murphy.

Joint Honorary Secretaries: Messrs. A. W. Eastman and K. A. Mason.

Captain: Mr. F. Wheeler.

Vice-Captain: Mr. J. R. Sims.

General Committee: Messrs. J. Smith, F. C. Cleme, J. C. Owen, H. Bradford, R. S. Vergette and J. Beach.

Bar Convenor: Mr. C. Bond.

MOTORIST FINED.

DRIVING AT DANGEROUS SPEED.

Mr. W. A. Laffin again appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday in connection with the summons against him for driving a motor car in Nathan Road, Kowloon, at 60 miles per hour, which the police said was reckless driving to the danger of the public.

An adjournment was given at the last hearing for his Worship to consider the point raised by Mr. A. J. O'Donoghue, for the defence, that even though it was admitted that Mr. Laffin was going at 60 miles per hour, there was no case for him to answer, because as long as the defendant had full control of the car there was no danger to the public. It was claimed for the defence that the car was capable of being pulled up within a space of a little over 30 yards. In any case, Mr. O'Donoghue contended, the onus was on the prosecution to prove that the public had in fact been endangered.

Giving his decision yesterday, his Worship said that after taking into consideration all the circumstances of the case he had decided to convict Mr. Laffin of dangerous driving. The Magistrate went on to speak of Nathan Road as a thoroughfare on which there was a lot of traffic owing to its being the main road to the New Territories, as well as the principal street on the Peninsula. In view of this and the fact that there were houses on both sides of the road, and many side streets running into Nathan Road at various points, Mr. Schofield found that the defendant's speed was in fact dangerous to the public.

A fine of \$25 was imposed.

BUILDING PROBLEMS

THE CHOICE OF MATERIALS.

There have been of late an increasing number of letters in the British daily press deploring the spoiling of the natural beauties of the countryside by many modern innovations. The phenomenal increase in motor transport during the last few years is directly or indirectly responsible for some of these, and the menace is certainly a very real one. The advertisement hoarding or poster nuisance, the flamboyant petrol filling stations and garages, and lastly the great gaunt arterial roads themselves, where often magnificent trees have had to be sacrificed in the interests of safety, are cases in point.

But probably the worst disfigurement to the landscape of all is the cheap bungalow town which is threatening the fairest parts of the land. This formed the subject of several recent letters in the London "Times." One writer inveighed against the unsuitable materials and designs employed; and went on to refer specifically to "that particular abomination the pink asbestos roofing tile." He further stated that if the spread of inappropriate building could not be stayed, the time had come when its destructive qualities might at least be mitigated by some insistence upon the choice of materials appropriate to each district.

It is not surprising that this slighting reference to asbestos roofing materials called forth a vigorous reply from another correspondent who said very truly that owing to its economy and utility the asbestos tile had come to stay, and that it was rather for leading architects to face the fact and to demonstrate how this useful modern invention could and should be used to the best advantage. He further advocated that full instructions be given in the architectural schools in connection with new materials and their proper uses, and that architects should give all possible assistance rather than discouragement to the manufacturers to market their products in the form which is aesthetically right. A few well-known architects have very properly encouraged them by using these products of modern progress with highly satisfactory results from the aesthetic point of view.

KOMODO DRAGON.

LONDON ZOO INCIDENT.

When introduced to the London Zoo visitors recently, by being put in a special cage in the new reptile house, "Sumba," the Komodo dragon, was very bashful, and kept well to the back of his cage, never showing more than a piece of a leg, or the tip of his tail, to the many inquisitive people who came to visit him.

Although the front of his cage was specially arranged for his comfort, he preferred the back, out of sight, and put up with the comparative coldness and gloom for the privacy it afforded.

Even the keeper could not stir him out. To such an extent did his bashfulness take a hold of him that at one time it was feared he was not eating, and even a delicacy in the shape of an egg would barely tempt him to show his nose.

That, however, was found to be a false alarm, for he steadily made up for lost meals during the night when no one was about, and ate heartily.

Electric Radiators.

Whatever his reasons for such a retirement—possibly he realised that he was living among people who have as their patron saint a dragon-slayer, and so felt uncertain as to his safety—the dull London days proved too much for him.

After a half-hearted attempt at continued retirement, he has succumbed to the attractions of a tree branch placed full in a beam of artificial sunlight, and warmed by cunningly concealed electric radiators, and came out into the open (says the "Evening Standard").

All day he squarably faced his streams of visitors, and was much admired on account of his long, shapely tail and fine, powerful, sharp-pointed claws.

Nearly everyone who saw him remarked that he was not so terrible a dragon after all.

The fifth gold medal of the African Society, instituted for those who have done the best work for Africa, has been awarded to Sir Ronald Ross, Director in Chief of the Ross Institute and Hospital for Tropical Diseases at Putney.

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THE VOLUNTEERS.

The following orders have been issued by Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., Administrative Commandant:—

Recruits.

Parade at Corps Headquarters on Friday, September 30, at 5.30 p.m. All those who have not passed all their Musketry Tests Nos. 1 to 6 will attend.

Dress: Muffin, Musketry Order.

Corps Drill Parade.

A Corps drill parade will take place on Monday, October 3, at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Drill order, uniform.

The object of this parade is to enable men to pass their drill tests Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive for the training year 1927-1928.

Future parades: October 11, 20, and 28 only.

Musketry.

Scottish Company will fire Part II. at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, September 25.

Range Officer: Capt. K. S. Morrison.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or muffin optional but rifles, bayonets, pouches, braces and belt must be taken from Corps Headquarters on Friday, September 23, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m.; and on Saturday, September 24, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Artillery Co.

Lecture at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, September 23, by Lieut. R. F. Wright, R.A., on the "Principles of Ranging."

All members of the Corps are invited to be present. This subject will be of special interest to all machine gunners.

Signalers as per programme.

Field Sections and Signal Section parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, September 26, for Technical Instruction. "Knots and lashings."

Field Sections. Lecture at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 28. Subject "Field Works" by O.C. 56th Field Company, R.E.

Signal Section parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, September 29. All members are requested to attend.

Mounted Infantry.

Parade at Stable at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 27. Dress: Muffin.

Armoured Car Co.

Monday, September 26. The Company will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction.

Thursday, September 29. N.C.O.'s Class will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction.

Infantry Co.

Friday, September 23, at 5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.'s and other ranks as detailed by O.C. Company will parade at Corps Headquarters for a special N.C.O.'s Course of training in Vickers Gun.

Musketry. Members are specially reminded that Part II. of the Musketry Course will be fired on Sunday, October 2.

Range Officer: Lieut. A. H. Penn. No. 1 Platoon. Weekly parades will be held throughout the training season on Tuesdays, commencing Tuesday, September 27.

Members are requested to turn out as strong as possible, at Corps Headquarters on above date at 5.30 p.m.

Rifles and bayonets will be not be required for next Tuesday's parade.

No. 2 Platoon. The Training Season 1927-1928 will commence on Tuesday, September 27. Parade will be held every Tuesday at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

September 27. Musketry Standard Tests.

Dress: Muffin. Rifle, belt and bayonet.

No. 4 Platoon.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, September 29. For commencement of Signal Training.

All members are requested to attend. Dress: Muffin.

Musketry Part II. See Order No. 2.

Machine Gun Class as detailed in previous orders will assemble at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 27. Dress: Muffin.

Route March: Thursday, September 29, from Polo Ground to Quarry Bay.

No. 5 Platoon will be "At Home" to Nos. 6 and 7 Platoons at Quarry Bay.

Nos. 5 and 6 Platoons will assemble at Garden Road at 5.25 p.m. to await special train for transportation to Polo Ground.

Dress: Review Order, i.e. rifle bayonet, belt, frog, gungary, tunic, kilts, sporran, dined hose, flashes and spats.

Reel Club. Second practice will take place at Helena May Institute at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 28. There is still room for more members and intending participants should communicate with L. Cpl. R. O. Sutherland, c/o Messrs. Palmer & Turner.

Portuguese Co.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, September 23, for practice parade for Guard of Honour.

Dress: Drill order, uniform. Hostesses are now available for issue and will be drawn from store by C.Q.M.S. and issued to all ranks. Hostesses will be worn by all ranks in all orders of dress when wearing shorts.

Promotions.

The following extract from the "Hong Kong Government Gazette," dated September 16, 1927, is published for information:—

"R.E. the Governor has been pleased to make the following promotions in the Hong Kong Volunteers:—"

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On demand 132

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Swimming Gala.

The following have been selected to represent the Corps in the Swimming Gala which is to be held under the auspices of the South China Command Sports Board at the R.A.S.C. Camber at 5.15 p.m. on Friday, September 23.

A launch has been arranged to collect the team at Blake Pier at 5 p.m. L/Cpl. D. Lyon, Pte. G. R. Razavet, Gr. E. W. Railton, Spr. W. C. Simpson and Pte. R. Wittell. This event was won by the H.K.V.D.C. team in 1926.

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UNREHEARSED EFFECTS.

Miss Nora Blaney, playing in "The Vegabond King," the other night, nearly lost a finger, through a mishap with a dagger; and a London touring company, performing "The Last of Mrs. Cheyne" at Simla, India, lately, was surprised by the appearance of a troop of monkeys who climbed to the roof of the theatre.

We always have to be ready for accidents on the stage, and it is really marvellous that they do not occur much more frequently than they do when you come to think of the chances there are for them.

Many a catastrophe has been averted only by the actors and actresses remaining calm. They realise that if they keep their heads the audience will probably keep their seats. Dame Nellie Melba averted what might have been a bad panic Covent Garden in that way. The company was giving "Faust," and she was standing in the wings, awaiting the appearance of Mephistopheles. When he shot through a trap-door, she saw more than the usual spurt of flame, and in a few seconds the scenery was on fire. She called out: "Ring down the curtain!" and walked on to the stage to reassure the audience. A panic was already beginning in the house, and people were struggling out of their places. "Dear friends," she called to them, with her charming smile, "keep your seats. I am much nearer the flames than you are!" This quieted them, and in the next few seconds the fire was put out.

Wild beasts on the stage keep us on tenterhooks all the evening. No actress feels at her ease when she hears low, menacing snarls behind her in the gloom of the wings and thinks of those gleaming green eyes and cruel talons in the none too solid-looking cage nearby. At Blackburn a young leopard, though held by a stout chain, sprang up on the front of a box and clawed a little boy while his mother tried to beat it off. Its keeper lost his balance and fell with it into the orchestra stalls, where it attacked him, while the audience, and even the orchestra, dashed for the exits. A performance of "Othello" at Budapest was considerably "gingered up" by a triangular row between Desdemona, Othello, and the lady's real husband. It started apparently over Desdemona's vehement expressions of opinion over the way that the dusky Moor's manner of caressing her messed up her frock, as the colour came off his hands and arms. The next time Othello had to smother her he performed the congenial task with such a right good will that she jumped out of bed and smacked his face. He tripped over the bed-clothes and fell, but called "Curse!" The curtain did not come down, but Desdemona's husband, who was in the audience, did. Desdemona went back to her death-bed and wept, and Othello hit her husband; the latter sued him for damages, but the judge prevailed on them all to shake hands and make it up.

Falling scenery has claimed many a victim. A large "flat" comes down pretty slowly because it is cushioned up, as it falls, by the air opposed to its big surface, but if it sidslips it descends with the swiftness of a sword. Not long ago a stage hand at a music hall in the West End of London was killed outright, his neck and back being broken, by a "flat" sidslipping in this manner.—"Daily News."

AN UNUSUAL CAREER.

An unusual career is being adopted by Miss Nora Johnston, who for the last four months has been training as a carillonist at Malines, Belgium. She is the first British woman who has taken up bell-ringing as a profession. Since childhood she has been interested in bells and she composed bell-ringing with playing a colossal organ; she had to wear pads on her fingers for protection. She was allowed to play in the Cathedral after two months' study, and at the Feast of Pentecost she had the great honour of playing for half-an-hour after the High Mass, conducted by the Archbishop. No one in the cathedral realised that it was a woman performer.

"LIVING" THE PART.

"John o' London's Weekly" has been conducting a symposium on the subject of the actor "living" his part or "acting" it, and some interesting views have been elicited.

Ivor Novello declares:—"I have so often thought that I had been at my best because I had really felt what I was acting, and then been severely hauled over the coals for insincerity! Vice versa, when, perhaps, through over-tiredness, I have not been able to concentrate, I have been told—to my astonishment—that I have never played better. So what is a poor actor to do?"

"I have been all over the world," wrote the veteran, Miss Connie Ediss, and having tried playing to an audience knowing they were there, and trying to please them; and I have played to them entirely forgetting they were there, which is best, I find. I have so soaked myself in my part that the audience has seemed like a blank wall, so that I forgot the audience and myself entirely, and, as it were, played a dream part in a dream play—not even subconsciously knowing I had an audience! In this way I have found that storms of applause have been my reward; and in this case I have always felt the emotions of the part. In my younger days in America, Mr. Charles Frohman said to me, "Connie, you are too conscious of the audience. Forget them! The play's the thing." And found he was right. We must play the play.

Robert Loraine:—"My own idea is that the player, in representing a character, employs a dual personality, of which the second part, the impersonation, is the result of his imaginative projection of the character he is impersonating, combined with his emotional experiences and recollections as applied to that character and the situations in which it is represented. One reads at times of an actor "completely identifying himself" with a character. This is, of course, an exaggeration, or we should find Othello actually strangling Desdemona—so that it is absurd, in my opinion, to maintain that the actor should so acutely feel the emotions he is representing. But that they should be actually present in his mind during his study of the part and during his actual performances is, I think, unquestionable."

Ernest Truex:—"The characters which I have portrayed always seemed things apart from me. I can sympathise with them, but not actually be them; so I suppose you would say I am not of the school who absolutely live the parts as they act them. Their troubles have an effect on me, of course, because I feel very close to them, but I admit that I am almost conscious of pulling the strings to make my puppets do their job."



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CHAMPION MEMORY EXPERT.

Hollywood's champion memory expert has been discovered. He is Clarence Badger, the man who directed "It." Clara Bow's first Paramount starring vehicle, Madame Ellnor Glyn, author of the story, who spent much time on the set, observed Badger proceeding from one scene to another without consulting a scenario. She was astonished, and inquired as to his methods. It was then revealed that her screen adaptation from the original story of "It" had not only been studied thoroughly by Badger before starting the photoplay, but he had also memorised the scenes of each sequence. Not only did he carry out 52 scenes in letter perfect manner one day without reference to a scenario, but he furnished Miss Bow, Antonio Moreno, William Austin, and other of the supporting cast with dialogue intended to aid them, in enacting the action. Badger consults the scenario at night and before starting work each morning, refreshing his memory as to the work to be done.

"FUSS" ABOUT THE THEATRE.

Speaking in London not long ago Miss Sybil Thorndike, the eminent actress, related that a man recently said to her, "Why do you make all this fuss about the theatre? You are only there for our entertainment." When she asked what he meant by "entertainment" he replied, "I look upon the theatre as I look upon a jolly good dinner with a dance afterwards, just to have my ears and palate tickled and have a jolly evening." That was perfectly ridiculous, retorted Miss Thorndike. "They could have all that in conjunction with a weak mind. (Laughter.) The theatre was not for the weak-minded. (Hear, hear!)" and laughter. It was to quicken and stimulate to laughter or tears. The other day she said, "I am not the servant of the public," and the statement had been disputed. She was glad to have this opportunity of repeating fearlessly that she was not the servant of the public, but the servant of the theatre, of which the public was only a part, and that not the most important part. No artist was worth his salt who was the servant of anything that did not demand of him his best. If they were going to give the public their best they must feel something other than what the public was asking. Artists had an ideal public when it demanded of them what they demanded of themselves. That was why she never owned herself the servant of the public, but of the theatre.

OLIVE BORDEN.

Olive Borden, beautiful Fox Films star, who plays the leading feminine role in "The Monkey Talks," adapted from Rene Fauchol's world renowned stage success, is an ardent supporter of bobbed hair—for others.

Miss Borden, whose long, curly tresses are a distinct novelty among present-day screen stars, declares she has no intention of falling for the lure of short locks. "Absolutely not!" is her decision. "If I desire the bobbed effect, a visit to my hairdresser solves the problem—and then again, when I wish for various other head-dresses my own hair supplies the need. So you see I am able to enjoy any demand my heart makes."

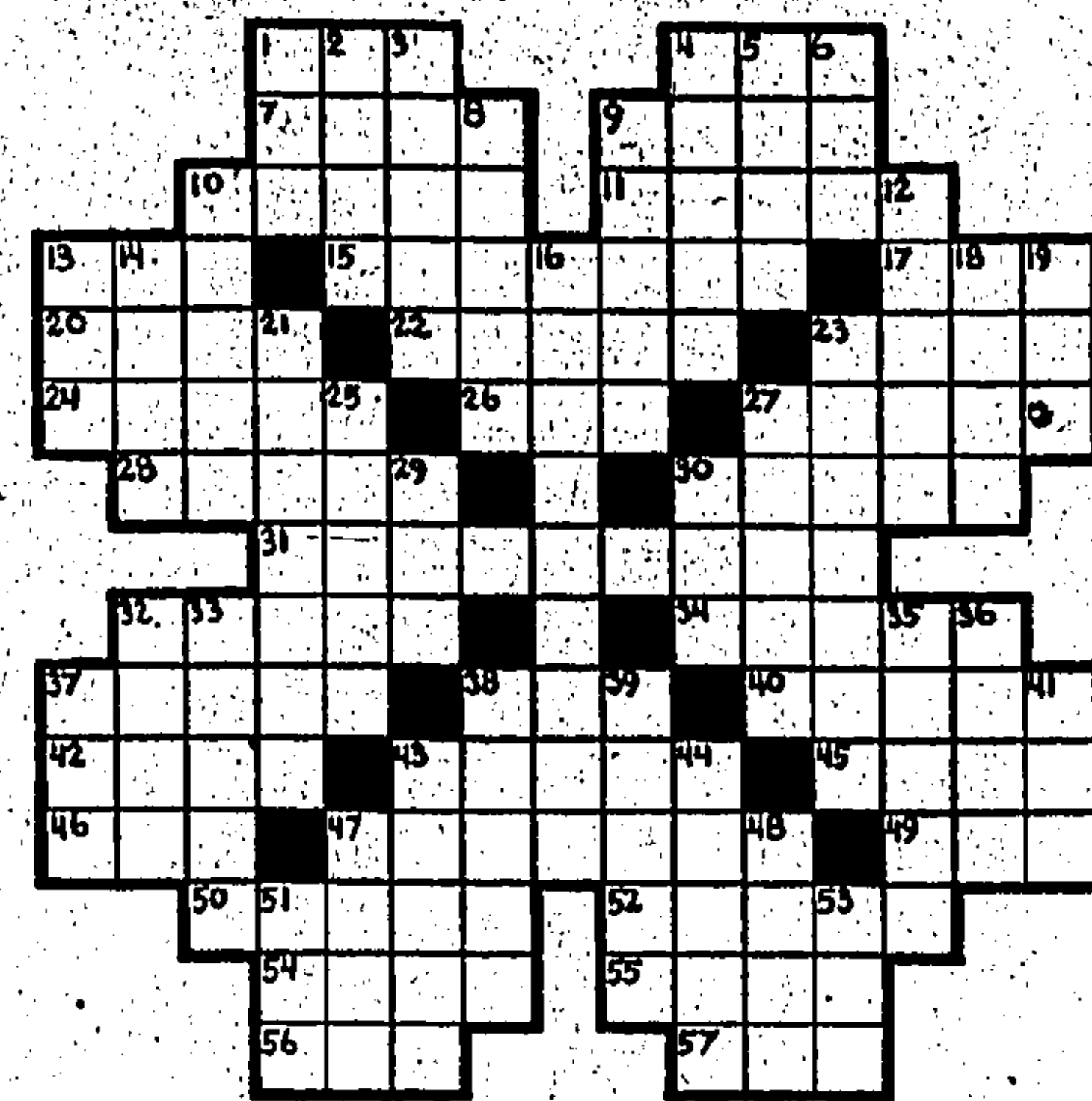
Raul Walsh, whose previous directorial effort, "What Price Glory," is established as the greatest picture of all time, directed "The Monkey Talks," with an imposing cast, including Jacques Lerner, Jane Winton, Don Alvarado, Raymond Hitchcock, Malcolm Waite, and August Tolaire.

FULL LENGTH PLAYS.

A demand for old drama in its original form has swept Paris and many a theatre-goer has to watch the stage for five and six hours without intermission. Hamlet is given in its full five-hour length. Musset's Lorenzaccio was played for the first time since Sarah Bernhardt in its eighteen tableaux, without intermission.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL

- 1—Bleat of a sheep
- 4—A kind of tree
- 7—Homely
- 8—Girl's name
- 10—Took without permission
- 11—Bread mixture
- 13—Likely
- 15—Stimulating
- 17—Eye
- 20—Line the roof of
- 22—Part of a harness
- 23—Honest
- 24—Stories
- 26—Fruit of a tree
- 27—Beasted
- 28—Condition
- 30—What France is noted for
- 31—Unending
- 32—Drab
- 34—Capital of Idaho
- 37—Strange
- 38—Precious stone
- 40—Midday (pl.)
- 42—Head covering (pl.)
- 43—The center taken out of
- 45—Hub of a wheel

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 46—Mineral
- 47—Perched
- 49—A kind of grain
- 50—Miss
- 52—Title of nobility (pl.)
- 54—Heavy cord
- 55—Pierce with a pointed weapon
- 56—Possessive pronoun
- 57—Abbreviation for British war-vessels

VERTICAL

- 1—Conjunction
- 2—Lively
- 3—To give proportionately
- 4—Singly
- 5—To strike brutally
- 6—Old woman
- 8—Desire anxiously
- 9—Decree
- 10—One of a pair of sticks used to make one taller
- 12—A draft animal
- 13—To do

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 14—Vegetable (pl.)
- 16—Feminine children
- 18—Feels remorse
- 19—Gamble
- 21—Conductors
- 23—Strain
- 25—In place of another
- 27—An animal
- 29—Part of the head
- 30—A snare
- 32—Affectionate term
- 33—Ceremonies
- 35—Fly
- 36—To grudge
- 37—Interrogative pronoun
- 38—Barred fowl
- 39—Affects by measure
- 41—Look
- 43—Unit of the army (pl.)
- 44—End of everything
- 47—An uprising
- 48—Chemical measurement
- 51—Three (prefix)
- 53—Dry measurement (pl.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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CROUPIER ROBBER.

STORY OF MORNING RICSHA RIDE.

A shareholder in a fan tan combine figured on September 16 in a Singapore District Court charge of robbery against a Chinese police officer.

The latter, Goh Hup Chi, a constable attached to the Marine Police Station, was alleged to have robbed the croupier of the fan tan table of the takings, amounting to \$556, during a richa drive in the course of which he struck him, later washing the bloodstains from his face in a bathroom at the back of the Marine Police Station.

Goh Hup Seng, the complainant in the case, who described himself as a partner in a tankang business with a \$200 share in a fan tan combine, stated that on August 19 at 7.30 in the morning he was on his way to Fraser Street with \$556, the previous night's takings at the fan tan table, when he was met by the accused, whom he knew as Chaw Huan.

The money was in notes in his coat pocket. His coat was not buttoned, and the bulge made by the money was visible. The accused asked him whom the money was for.

"I said the notes were for the fan tan table," the witness proceeded. "The accused thereupon caught me by the coat and tried unsuccessfully to take the notes from me. He then put me in a richa, into which he also got, and drove towards Hylam Kongsi.

A Pair of Handcuffs.
"In the richa he pulled out a pair of handcuffs. With these he struck me, because I would not allow him to take the money from me. He struck me five times with the handcuffs."

Proceeding, the witness stated that the accused handcuffed him, and after he had obtained the money, the accused directed the richa to proceed towards the Marine Police Station, at the back of which they alighted.

Washed Blood Off His Face.

"He took me to a bathroom near the Marine Police Station boat-house," the witness continued, "and washed the blood off my face. Removing the handcuffs, he then took me to a nearby stall, where we had coffee."

"At the stall we were joined by a Malay Corporal. Asking the corporal to look after me, the accused went away, returning later with \$100."

"He invited us to a liquor shop, where after ordering drinks, he gave the corporal \$8 and told me to go home."

Coffee and Liquor Shop Meetings.

The witness proceeded to detail other meetings, the following day, at a coffee shop and at a liquor shop, in which two other Chinese were engaged in negotiating for a "settlement," this being finally effected by the payment to him by the accused, at a liquor shop meeting, of \$150.

Later, he was sent for by Inspector Nicol, to whom he made certain statements.

The further hearing was adjourned.

BRAVE WOMEN.

SHOOT DURING STORM AT BISLEY.

Remarkable courage and stoicism were shown at Bisley recently by women rifleshoots during a great thunderstorm which raged for two hours.

When the storm broke the women—Mrs. Janet Barnes, of Manchester, and Miss Doris Dayson, of Swansea—were on the unprotected Stickleton Range, firing with a number of men in the Duke of Cambridge competition. Great peals of thunder almost drowned the noise of their shots; the landscape, dark and menacing, was frequently split by vivid streaks of lightning, while rain and a changing wind lashed their faces.

According to several R.A.F. register-keepers, a thunderbolt fell about 500 yards from the firing point, raising a shower of mud.

At the height of the storm four men refused to take part in the competition in such conditions, and left the range.

Firing had almost ceased also on the Century range, half a mile away. The two women, however, were determined not to be defeated by Nature, even in one of her most terrifying moods.

At one time, as they aimed at the mist-swathed targets 900 yards above them, and a golden line of lightning flamed in front of their sights, seemingly within arm's length.

N.C.O.'s Shock.

A sergeant in charge of a telephone communicating with the butts was struck by a flash seeming to come from the instrument, and received a severe shock.

The effect of the storm and the changing wind and light caused the many targets to be missed. In the circumstances, the scores of 30 and 32 out of 50, made by Miss Dayson and Mrs. Barnes, are regarded by experienced marksmen as being most praiseworthy (says a correspondent of a London paper), and there is general admiration of their pluck.

RETIRED AT 99.

NOW 107 YEARS OLD.

Mr. William McCrory, of Hunter Street, Belfast, was 107 years old the other day. He is probably the oldest man in the United Kingdom.

He attributes his long life to simple diet, including porridge, oatmeal bread, and raw vegetables, and even now he enjoys a raw leek or onion. He is neither an abstainer nor a non-smoker.

Born at Ballinderry, Co. Antrim, on the anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne, Mr. McCrory has been an Orangeman for 70 years. He began work as a road surface-man, and after 30 years came to Belfast to work at brick-making.

At the age of 78 he got work minding a winch in the shipyard of Workman, Clark and Co., retiring at 99.

COAL RESOURCES.

POSITION IN GREAT BRITAIN.

One effect of the coal strike, and of the Royal Commission, which preceded it, has been undoubtedly to make the development of the coal industry a matter of greater concern than before, not only to the general public and its political leaders, but also to the industry itself. The effect of this heightened interest in fuel problems is seen on behalf of the Fuel Research Board of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, together with the appended report of Dr. Lander, the Director of Fuel Research.

An essential part of the Board's work is to make a survey of the coal resources of the country, not only in their geographical and geological aspects, but coupled with an investigation of their physical properties and chemical constitution, supplemented, where desirable, by large-scale trials of the purposes for which the various seams are respectively suited.

This work has proceeded satisfactorily in the Lancashire and Cheshire and the South Yorkshire areas. Arrangements have now been completed for similar investigations in the North Staffordshire, Scottish, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire, and Durham and Northumberland areas, in which Survey Committees have been formed. Investigation is also being made, as opportunity occurs, into seams in areas for which no local committee has yet been formed, as for example in Warwickshire.

The microscopical examination of seams is likewise being continued, and may possibly be found to offer a means of correlating different sections of the same seam. Preliminary steps were taken early in the year under review for the study of existing methods and conditions of sampling at all ports of export. The state of the coal industry made it impossible to proceed with them at the time, but, with the return of normal conditions, the investigation of the matter will be pushed ahead as rapidly as possible.—(Engineering.)

RED JOANS.

SOVIET'S WOMEN SOLDIERS IN MANOEUVRES.

The Soviet newspaper "Izvestia" reports that women reserves, armed and equipped in the same way as regular troops, are being used for the first time in the Red army's autumn manoeuvres.

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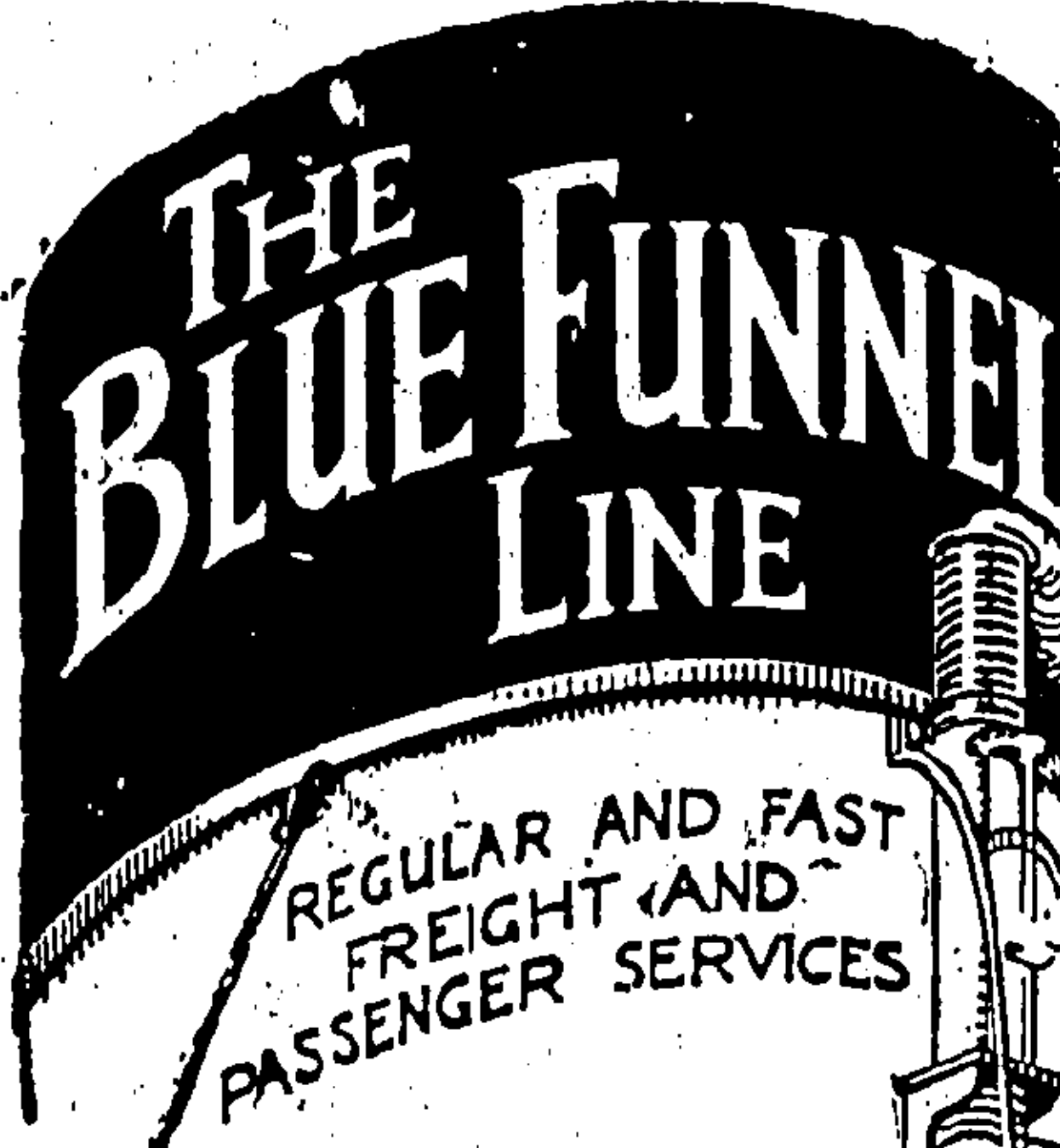
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Shanghai	MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26	Shantung.
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Straits		Suwa Maru.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai		Pres. Pierce.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 3		
Manila		Emp. of Canada.

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For	FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23	Per	Time
Samshui & Wuchow	Kong Ning		4.30 p.m.
Japan	Pennang Maru		5 p.m.
Holhow	Now Mathilde		5 p.m.
Shanghai	Sunning		5 p.m.
Amoy	Hosang		5 p.m.
Haiphong	Song Bo		5 p.m.
Swatow	Wai Shing		5 p.m.
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Bangkok	Dux		11.30 a.m.
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Swatow	Kanchow		5 p.m.
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25			
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Hozan Maru		9 a.m.
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26			
Amoy	Soochow		5 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Monroe		5 p.m.
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27			
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hai Ning		1 p.m.
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Straits	Yuensang		1.30 p.m.
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	Aeneas		2 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Madison		4.30 p.m.
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28			
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Formosa	Hessen		10.30 a.m.
Sa-cakan	Mausang		1.30 p.m.
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29			
Holhow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Tean		10.30 a.m.
Japan & Honolulu	Anjo Maru		10.30 a.m.
Straits	Van Overstraten		10.30 a.m.

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NO MORE SLAVERY

Action Taken in Sierra Leone.

LEAGUE'S INFLUENCE.

No Compensation Provided For The Owners.

Geneva, Yesterday.

The Assembly has adopted the report of the Slavery Convention presented by Sir Edward Hilton Young, whose announcement that the Legislative Assembly of Sierra Leone had read a Bill totally abolishing slavery from January next was greeted with applause.

Sir Edward Hilton Young drew attention to the unfortunate delay in the ratification of the Slavery Convention by the majority of the States.

The Assembly adopted a report on the conference of Press experts embodying the resolutions adopted by the conference and trusting that the Council in December would take the most suitable measures to enlist sympathetic attention from Governments with a view to furthering these resolutions.—Reuter.

Sierra Leone, Yesterday.
All slaves in the Protectorate are to be free by January 1. The council unanimously passed the Ordinance mentioned yesterday. No provision is made to compensate slave owners.—Reuter.

International Laxity.

London, Yesterday.
At the League of Nations Assembly to-day Sir Edward Hilton Young presenting the report on slavery, called attention to the fact that out of a total of 70 nations of the world (56 are members of the League and 14 non-members) who were invited to sign the League's convention for the abolition of slavery only 14 have signed. Among the signatories the British Empire was strongly represented, England, Australia, India, New Zealand, South Africa and the Sudan having signed. The Assembly passed a resolution urging other nations to hasten their signatures and the ratification of the convention.—British Wireless Service.

DEBT TO FRANCE.

SOVIET MAKING ARRANGEMENTS.

Moscow, Yesterday.

Comrade Litvinoff, the Foreign Vice-Commissary in a semi-official interview, asserts that a full agreement has been reached between the Soviet and French delegations on the debt question. A general agreement has not been signed because the French have not yet accepted the proposals regarding the Credits Agreement in principle reached hereafter, but the question of the size thereof has not been solved.

He added, however, that all doubts would soon be settled when the French public would learn that the Soviet would be ready within six months to make a bank deposit of the first half-yearly instalment of 30,000,000 gold francs, from which the first payments could be made to French holders of Russian securities immediately both Governments have ratified the dual Agreement.—Reuter.

NEW YORK BRIDGE.

BIGGEST OF ITS TYPE IN THE WORLD.

New York, Yesterday.

The Governors of New York and New Jersey and other prominent individuals were the centre of interesting functions marking the beginning of work on the 1½ mile suspension bridge across the valley between New York and Fort Lee.

Ground was broken on both shores for the towers, which will be 620 feet high.

Inaugural ceremonies were also held in midstream.
The bridge will be completed by 1932 and will be the largest of its type in the world.—Reuter's American Service.

FRENCH TARIFFS.

Serious Disagreement With America.

WANTS RECIPROCITY.

No Immediate Signs Of a Settlement.

Paris, Yesterday.

The United States Government note on the tariff question has been received at the Quai d'Orsay and is being translated, but it is not likely to be published while negotiations are pending. It is thought that negotiations will be difficult, since France is unwilling to make concessions without reciprocity, which is contrary to the whole American tariff system.

American traders here point out that while only 15 to 18 per cent. of American goods imported to France (or roughly one per cent. of the total American exports) are affected by the new tariff, the United States takes approximately 10 per cent. of the total of French exports. Hence they contend that the principle of reciprocity is not only contrary to the American tariff system but inapplicable on the merits of the case.—Reuter.

THE LEAGUE.

INTERNATIONAL TALK ON DISARMAMENT.

Geneva, Yesterday.

The Third Committee (Disarmament) has recommended the Council to convene an international conference as soon as possible to discuss the sub-Committee's report on the control of armaments and publicity regarding their manufacture.

Finnish Proposal.

The Third Committee has decided to refer the Finnish armament proposal to the Disarmament Conference or a special ad hoc conference.

India's Position.

Geneva, Sept. 5.

Lord Lytton, interviewed by Reuter said that the Indian Delegation having six members, four of whom had had previous experience at meetings of the League, were unusually strong.

India's position in the League was unique. She was the only member that could not be regarded as politically independent, but this did not hinder the Indian delegates from taking an independent line to a greater extent than ordinarily. They realised that in matters of high policy, including especially questions of Disarmament, India doubtless had to act in concert with the British Government; but these questions were mainly of European significance, and the aspects of the League's work in which the Indian Delegation were practically free to play an independent part, namely, Health, humanitarian and economic questions, were those with which the interests of India were most intimately connected.

Division of Work.

Members of the Indian Delegation are preparing to divide the subjects which will come up for discussion before the League, as follows:—

Lord Lytton will take Disarmament questions affecting women and children and the report of the Economic Conference.

The Maharaja of Kapurthala will deal with certain social and political questions, particularly slavery.

Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar will deal with the Budget and certain technical organisations, especially Health organisation, and will also assist Lord Lytton in regard to the Economic Conference.

Sir Edward Chamberlain will deal with legal and constitutional questions, assisted by Mr. S. K. Mallick, who will also deal with opium and alcoholism.

Sir Fazl-i-Hussain will deal with financial matters and certain technical organisations.—Times of Ceylon.

THE SILK TRAIN.

Wreck Reported Near Yale.

NO CASUALTIES.

Far Eastern Freight Worth \$2,500,000 Concerned.

Vancouver, Yesterday.

A special train carrying silk from the Far East worth \$2,500,000 was wrecked near Yale. Five out of the 18 waggons plunged down an embankment into the Fraser River and five others were damaged. It is understood that the greater part of the valuable freight can be salvaged. There were no casualties.—Reuter's American Service.

U.S. AIR DERBY.

ELEVEN AEROPLANES REACH SPOKANE.

Spokane, Yesterday.

Eleven of the aeroplanes, participating in the Air Derby from New York, have arrived. They represent the first and second classes. None of the third class has yet arrived.

Winners of the first and second classes are apparently C. W. Holman and C. W. Myers, respectively.—Reuter's American Service.

MEXICAN OIL.

SUIT AGAINST GOVERNMENT FILED.

Mexico City, Yesterday.

The Agulla Oil Company has filed a suit against the Mexican Government, in the Mexico City District Court, alleging that under the new Petroleum Law they are not permitted to drill oil wells upon lands acquired before the Constitution of 1917.—Reuter's American Service.

GERMAN FLIGHT.

LEAVES TO-DAY FOR PERSIA.

Angora, Yesterday.

Koennecke, in his Caspar biplane "Germania," when he landed safely here at 8.30 this morning, had been in the air 18 hours and had covered 1,875 miles at an average speed of 104 miles an hour. The airman expects to leave on Friday for Tokyo via Persia and India.—Reuter.

"PICKED IT UP."

JAIL FOR A LYING CHINESE.

Charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning with the theft of an electric fan and a clock from No. 56 Wellington Street, a Chinese told his Worship that he picked the things up in the street.

Sub-Inspector Barnett said that the accused took a District Watchman to the house he had taken the property from. Asked to explain this, the accused said that he saw a man come out of house with the property in his possession and he followed him.

Later the other man became scared, and leaving the things on the pavement ran away. He (accused) then picked up the property and walked off with them.

When he was accused by the District Watchman, he took him to the house he had seen the other man come out of.

The police said that the inmates of the premises were out at the time of the robbery, and accused gained admission to the place by wrenching the lock away with a pair of pliers.

Telling the accused that his story was a pack of lies, Mr. Lindsell convicted. A previous conviction having been proved, accused was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

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